Zachery Fitch

Ancestors of Zachary (Deacon) Fitch

Generation No. 1

1. Zachary (Deacon) Fitch, born Bef. January 16, 1591 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England; died June 09, 1662 in Reading, Mass.. He was the son of **2. Hughe Fitch** and **3. Anne (Agnes) Smith**. He married **(1) Mary (Marie)** _____ Abt. 1628 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England.

Notes for Zachary (Deacon) Fitch:
ref: The Descendants of Dea. Zachary Fitch of Reading", 1902 23 pages
.....Compiled by the Hon. Ezra S. Stearns

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ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch
.....Vol. I, Chapter XVIII, pgs 191 - 200 Specifically the VERBATUM
.....entries published in "The Boston Transcript", Sept. 1, 1909
.....entries being: "Ancient Registers of Baptism, Marriage and Burial of the
.....Noted Abbey Church of St. Albans, Hertfordshire".

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ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XXI, p224.

More About Zachary (Deacon) Fitch:
Occupation: 1620, glover
: Aft. February 1638, emigrated to Lynn, Mass from England

Children of Zachary Fitch and Mary _____ are:

i. John Fitch, born Bef. April 08, 1621.

ii. Jeremiah Fitch, born Bef. May 05, 1622 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England; died May 03, 1692 in Reading, Mass; married (1) Ester _____ Abt. 1651 in Boston, Mass; married (2) Sarah Chubbuck February 25, 1657 in Weymouth, Mass; married (3) Martha (___) Messinger September 05, 1689.

Notes for Jeremiah Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch
.....Vol. I, Chapter XVIII, pgs 191 - 254

Note: birth dates of children differ between "RC", and Hon. Ezra S. Stearns writings.

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iii. Marie Fitch, born Bef. September 07, 1623.

iv. Zachariah Fitch, born Bef. June 25, 1626; died June 20, 1647.

v. Thomas Fitch, born Bef. October 26, 1628 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England; died Abt. 1678; married Mary Fisk Abt. 1654 in England.

vi. Benjamin (Deacon) Fitch, born Bef. December 21, 1630; died March 12, 1712 in Reading, Mass; married (1) Mary _____; married (2) Elizabeth Skerry February 27, 1665.

More About Benjamin (Deacon) Fitch:
Occupation: farmer and deacon

vii. Sarah Fitch, born Bef. January 20, 1632 in Reading, Mass.; married John Weston April 18, 1653 in Reading, Mass..

viii. Robert Fitch, born Bef. March 04, 1634.

ix. Joseph (I) Fitch, born Abt. 1638 in New England; died 1694 in Reading, Mass.; married Hannah Sweeter July 02, 1661 in Reading, Mass..

More About Joseph (I) Fitch:
Occupation: Prosperous farmer, Reading, Mass.

x. Samuel Fitch, born March 06, 1644 in Reading, Mass.; married Sarah Lane April 23, 1673 in Reading, Mass..

More About Samuel Fitch:
Occupation: farmer, Reading, Mass.

Generation No. 2

2. Hughe Fitch, born Bef. March 14, 1563 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England; died April 14, 1620 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England. He was the son of **4. William Fitch I** and **5. Joane Smyth**. He married **3. Anne (Agnes) Smith** September 13, 1585 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England.

3. Anne (Agnes) Smith, born Bef. September 24, 1567 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England. She was the daughter of **6. John Smith** and **7. Joane Roise**.

Notes for Hughe Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch
.....Vol. I, Chapter XVIII, pgs 191 - 200

More About Hughe Fitch:
Baptism: March 14, 1563, St. Albans
: 1576, will proven

Children of Hughe Fitch and Anne Smith are:

i. Marie (Mary) Fitch, born Bef. February 12, 1586.
ii. John Fitch, born Bef. October 13, 1587.
iii. Jeremie Fitch, born Bef. January 25, 1589; married Joane _____.
1 iv. Zachary (Deacon) Fitch, born Bef. January 16, 1591 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England; died June 09, 1662 in Reading, Mass.; married Mary (Marie) _____ Abt. 1628 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England.
v. Anne Fitch, born Bef. January 06, 1593; died April 26, 1606.

More About Anne Fitch:
Buried: April 26, 1608

Generation No. 3

4. William Fitch I, born Abt. 1530 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England. He married **5. Joane Smyth**.

5. Joane Smyth. She was the daughter of **10. _____ Smyth** and **11. Joane _____**.

Notes for William Fitch I:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch
.....Vol. I, Chapter XVIII, pgs 191 - 200

Children of William Fitch and Joane Smyth are:

i. William Fitch II.
ii. John Fitch.
iii. Thomas Fitch.
2 iv. Hughe Fitch, born Bef. March 14, 1563 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England; died April 14, 1620 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England; married Anne (Agnes) Smith September 13, 1585 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England.
v. Joan Fitch, married John Smyth.

6. John Smith, born in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England. He married **7. Joane Roise** October 13, 1566 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England.

7. Joane Roise, born in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England.

Children of John Smith and Joane Roise are:

3 i. Anne (Agnes) Smith, born Bef. September 24, 1567 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England; married Hughe Fitch September 13, 1585 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England.
ii. Margaret Smith, born Bef. August 02, 1579.
iii. John Smith, born Bef. September 04, 1583.
iv. Timothy Smith, born Bef. February 03, 1657.

Generation No. 4

10. _____ Smyth. He married **11. Joane _____**.

11. Joane _____.

Child of _____ Smyth and Joane _____ is:

5 i. Joane Smyth, married William Fitch I.

Descendants of Zachary (Deacon) Fitch

Generation No. 1

1. Zachary (Deacon)[3] Fitch (Hugh[2], William[1]) was born January 16, 1591 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England, and died June 09, 1662 in Reading, Mass.. He married Mary (Marie) _____ Abt. 1628 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England.

Notes for Zachary (Deacon) Fitch:
ref: The Descendants of Dea. Zachary Fitch of Reading", 1902 23 pages
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ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XXI, p224.

More About Zachary (Deacon) Fitch:
Occupation: 1620, glover
: Aft. February 1638, emigrated to Lynn, Mass from England

Children of Zachary Fitch and Mary _____ are:

	2	i.	John[4] Fitch, born April 08, 1621.
+	3	ii.	Jeremiah Fitch, born May 05, 1622 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England; died May 03, 1692 in Reading, Mass.
	4	iii.	Marie Fitch, born September 07, 1623.
	5	iv.	Zachariah Fitch, born June 25, 1626; died June 20, 1647.
+	6	v.	Thomas Fitch, born October 26, 1628 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England; died Abt. 1678.
+	7	vi.	Benjamin (Deacon) Fitch, born December 21, 1630; died March 12, 1712 in Reading, Mass.
+	8	vii.	Sarah Fitch, born January 20, 1632 in Reading, Mass.. – John Weston
	9	viii.	Robert Fitch, born March 04, 1634.
+	10	ix.	Joseph (I) Fitch, born Abt. 1638 in New England; died 1694 in Reading, Mass.. b 1634 - Hannah Sweeter
+	11	x.	Samuel Fitch, born March 06, 1644 in Reading, Mass..

Generation No. 2

3. Jeremiah[4] Fitch (Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born May 05, 1622 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England, and died May 03, 1692 in Reading, Mass. He married **(1) Ester** _____ Abt. 1651 in Boston, Mass. He married **(2) Sarah Chubbuck** February 25, 1657 in Weymouth, Mass, daughter of Thomas Chubbuck. He married **(3) Martha (___) Messinger** September 05, 1689.

Notes for Jeremiah Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch
.....Vol. I, Chapter XVIII, pgs 191 - 254

Note: birth dates of children differ between "RC", and Hon. Ezra S. Stearns writings.

Children of Jeremiah Fitch and Sarah Chubbuck are:

12 i. Mary[5] Fitch, born December 30, 1663. or 1652, 53
13 ii. Sarah Fitch, born September 24, 1665.
14 iii. Anne Fitch, born April 24, 1667.
15 iv. Jeremiah Fitch, born January 07, 1668.
16 v. Martha Fitch, born December 29, 1670.
17 vi. Elizabeth Fitch, born May 18, 1673.
18 vii. John Fitch, born September 05, 1675.
19 viii. Thomas Fitch, born February 07, 1677.
20 ix. Jeremiah Fitch, born February 05, 1658; died 1658.
21 x. Zachariah Fitch, born February 19, 1660; died August 13, 1661.
22 xi. Deborah Fitch, born November 05, 1662; died January 14, 1687. She married Joseph (Jr) Belknap.

Deborah b. 11-5-1662 may have died 1-14-1663

Notes for Deborah Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p220.
Note: dates of sibling births differ between "RC", and

23 xii. Sarah Fitch, born February 21, 1663.
24 xiii. Deborah Fitch, born June 27, 1665; died April 20, 1687. She married Joseph Belknap.
25 xiv. Abigail Fitch, born August 05, 1666.
26 xv. Jeremiah Fitch, born September 01, 1667.
27 xvi. Rebecca Fitch, born February 19, 1668. She married William Telman January 21, 1702.
28 xvii. Esther Fitch, born September 29, 1670.
29 xviii. Eleanor Fitch, born August 20, 1676.

6. Thomas[4] Fitch (Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born October 26, 1628 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England, and died Abt. 1678. He married **Mary Fisk** Abt. 1654 in England, daughter of David Fisk and Sarah Smith. Thomas a shoemaker

Children of Thomas Fitch and Mary Fisk are:

30 i. Martha[5] Fitch, born November 09, 1656.
+ 31 ii. Mary Fitch, born February 17, 1657; died August 22, 1703.
32 iii. Elizabeth Fitch, born 1659.
+ 33 iv. Sarah Fitch, born June 14, 1661.
34 v. Elizabeth Fitch, born August 02, 1664.
+ 35 vi. Thomas (Hon.) Fitch, born February 05, 1668 in Boston, Mass; died June 23, 1736.

7. Benjamin (Deacon)[4] Fitch (Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born December 21, 1630, and died March 12, 1712 in Reading, Mass. He married **(1) Mary** _____. He married **(2) Elizabeth Skerry** February 27, 1665.

or Mary was wife #2 as she is named in will (wife Mary + 3 daughters)

More About Benjamin (Deacon) Fitch:
Occupation: farmer and deacon in Reading

Children of Benjamin Fitch and Elizabeth Skerry are:

36 i. Zachariah[5] Fitch, born November 24, 1666; died April 16, 1684. - 18 yrs old.
+ 37 ii. Bridget Fitch, born November 01, 1669 in Reading, Mass; died May 02, 1723 in Reading, Mass. - Jonathan Poole
38 iii. Elizabeth Fitch, born March 27, 1671 in Reading, Mass; died August 12, 1696 in Reading, Mass. She married John Brown May 29, 1694 in Reading, Mass.
+ 39 iv. Mary Fitch, born April 02, 1678 in Reading, Mass. m. Thomas Beyant

8. **Sarah[4] Fitch** (Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born January 20, 1632 in Reading, Mass.. She married **John Weston** April 18, 1653 in Reading, Mass..

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if so they came from England before 1632

Children of Sarah Fitch and John Weston are:

40	i.	John[5] Weston, born August 17, 1655 in Reading, Mass.; died Aft. August 17, 1665 in Reading, Mass..
41	ii.	Sarah Weston, born July 15, 1656.
42	iii.	Mary Weston, born May 25, 1659.
43	iv.	John Weston, born March 09, 1661. He married Mary Bryant 1684 in Reading, Mass..
44	v.	Elizabeth Weston, born February 07, 1662.
45	vi.	Samuel Weston, born April 16, 1665.
46	vii.	Stephen Weston, born December 08, 1667. He married Sarah Townsend in Reading, Mass..
+ 47	viii.	Thomas Weston, born November 20, 1670.

10. **Joseph (I)[4] Fitch** (Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born Abt. 1638 in New England, and died 1694 in Reading, Mass.. He married **Hannah Sweeter** July 02, 1661 in Reading, Mass., daughter of Seth Sweeter and Bethiah _____.

OR 1634

More About Joseph (I) Fitch:
Occupation: Prosperous farmer, Reading, Mass.

Children of Joseph Fitch and Hannah Sweeter are:

48	i.	Hannah[5] Fitch, born March 03, 1661 in Reading, Mass.; died March 05, 1662 in Reading, Mass..
+ 49	ii.	Joseph (II) Fitch, born February 26, 1662 in Reading, Mass.; died January 09, 1695. - Ann Kibbe
50	iii.	Hannah Fitch, born November 28, 1664.
+ 51	iv.	Benjamin Fitch, born July 14, 1667 in Reading, Mass.; died December 14, 1739 in Reading, Mass.

Mary Hett

11. **Samuel[4] Fitch** (Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 06, 1644 in Reading, Mass.. He married **Sarah Lane** April 23, 1673 in Reading, Mass., daughter of Job Lane and Susannah Fasset.

d Oct 2, 1679

More About Samuel Fitch:
Occupation: farmer, Reading, Mass.

Children of Samuel Fitch and Sarah Lane are:

+ 52	i.	Samuel[5] Fitch, born March 04, 1673; died April 04, 1742. m. Eliz. Walker
53	ii.	Zachariah Fitch, born February 25, 1674; died March 08, 1674.
54	iii.	Job Fitch, born October 27, 1676; died November 07, 1676.
55	iv.	Sarah Fitch, born September 27, 1679; died October 02, 1679.
56	v.	Sarah Fitch, born July 27, 1679; died May 21, 1680.

Did mother + dau. died the same day?

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31. **Mary[5] Fitch** (Thomas[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 17, 1657, and died August 22, 1703. She married **Thomas Hunt**.

Notes for Mary Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p228.

Notes for Thomas Hunt:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p228.

Children of Mary Fitch and Thomas Hunt are:

57 i. Thomas[6] Hunt, born August 21, 1681.

More About Thomas Hunt:
Buried: young

58 ii. Mary Hunt, born October 07, 1683; died April 11, 1690.
59 iii. Thomas Hunt, born March 15, 1685.
60 iv. Priscilla Hunt, born April 11, 1688.
61 v. Mary Hunt, born October 11, 1690.
62 vi. Sarah Hunt, born December 09, 1692. She married Robert Watts October 11, 1716.
63 vii. Joanna Hunt, born March 29, 1695.

More About Joanna Hunt:
Buried: young

64 viii. Martha Hunt, born January 26, 1696; died December 22, 1713.
65 ix. Jabez Hunt, born April 05, 1698; died December 22, 1762. He married Hannah Brown.
66 x. Elizabeth Hunt, born April 02, 1700.

More About Elizabeth Hunt:
Buried: young

33. Sarah[5] Fitch (Thomas[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born June 14, 1661. She married **Thomas Warren** December 14, 1694.

Children of Sarah Fitch and Thomas Warren are:

67 i. Sarah[6] Warren, born March 08, 1696.
68 ii. Thomas Warren, born June 11, 1699.

35. Thomas (Hon.)[5] Fitch (Thomas[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 05, 1668 in Boston, Mass, and died June 23, 1736. He married **Abiel Danforth** April 12, 1694 in Boston, Mass., daughter of Samuel Danforth and Mary Wilson.

More About Abiel Danforth:
Baptism: January 31, 1674

Children of Thomas Fitch and Abiel Danforth are:

69 i. Mary[6] Fitch, born April 21, 1695; died March 11, 1696.
70 ii. Thomas Fitch, born September 21, 1697; died December 08, 1713.
71 iii. Samuel Fitch, born August 31, 1703; died September 10, 1703.
72 iv. Martha Fitch, born September 25, 1704. She married John Allen July 29, 1725.
+ 73 v. Mary Fitch, born August 28, 1706; died November 25, 1732. m. Hon. Andrew Oliver
74 vi. John Fitch, born October 19, 1709. He married Martha Stoddard March 30, 1732.
He died, no children before 7-19-1735

37. Bridget[5] Fitch (Benjamin (Deacon)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born November 01, 1669 in Reading, Mass, and died May 02, 1723 in Reading, Mass. She married **Jonathan Poole** December 03, 1691 in Reading, Mass, son of Jonathan Poole and Judith _____.

Notes for Jonathan Poole:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p229.

More About Jonathan Poole:
Occupation: Magistrate and Selectman, Reading Mass.

Children of Bridget Fitch and Jonathan Poole are:

75 i. Jonathan[5] Poole, born September 14, 1692 in Reading, Mass; died February 08, 1755. He married Esther Flagg. m. 4-16-1714

76 ii. Benjamin Poole, born April 07, 1694 in Boston, Mass; died December 12, 1732. He married (1) Bethiah Mansfield 1715. He married (2) Mehitable Austin December 17, 1723. He married (3) Mehitable Gibson Bef. 1749.

77 iii. Zachariah Poole, born April 25, 1696; died May 15, 1698.

78 iv. Elizabeth Poole, born March 28, 1698. She married Nicholas Belknap November 24, 1720.

79 v. Samuel Poole, born April 10, 1700; died May 08, 1752. He married Rebecca Williams December 11, 1729.

80 vi. William Poole, born February 24, 1702.

More About William Poole:
Buried: young

81 vii. Zachariah Poole, born March 25, 1708; died February 20, 1776. He married Rebecca Wade September 18, 1730.

82 viii. Mary Poole, born June 30, 1711; died June 05, 1737. She married Ephraim Weston.

83 ix. Judith Poole, born April 29, 1714; died September 08, 1714.

84 x. Bridget Poole, born Abt. 1719.

39. Mary[5] Fitch (Benjamin (Deacon)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born April 02, 1678 in Reading, Mass. She married **Thomas Bryant** December 10, 1696 in Reading, Mass, son of **Abraham Bryant and Mary Kendall.**

Children of Mary Fitch and Thomas Bryant are:

85 i. Elizabeth[6] Bryant, born August 09, 1697.

More About Elizabeth Bryant:
Buried: young

86 ii. Thomas Bryant, born August 29, 1698.

More About Thomas Bryant:
Buried: young

87 iii. Thomas Bryant, born November 14, 1700.

88 iv. Elizabeth Bryant, born February 02, 1702.

89 v. Mary Bryant, born April 20, 1706.

90 vi. John Bryant, born August 19, 1707.

47. Thomas[5] Weston (Sarah[4] Fitch, Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born November 20, 1670.

Child of Thomas Weston is:

91 i. Ephraim[6] Weston. He married Mary Poole.

49. Joseph (II)[5] Fitch (Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 26, 1662 in Reading, Mass., and died January 09, 1695. He married **Ann Kibbe** June 29, 1688 in Reading, Mass..

More About Joseph (II) Fitch:
Occupation: farmer

Children of Joseph Fitch and Ann Kibbe are:

92 i. Joseph[6] Fitch, born September 03, 1689; died November 10, 1694. - 5 yrs old
93 ii. Anna Fitch, born August 14, 1690; died June 29, 1697.
+ 94 iii. Zachariah Fitch, born February 24, 1693 in Reading, Mass.; died Bef. 1746. m. Abigail Davison
+ 95 iv. Joseph (III) Fitch, born February 04, 1695 in Reading, Mass.; died March 16, 1754 in Reading, Mass.. m. Margaret Clark

51. Benjamin[5] Fitch (Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born July 14, 1667 in Reading, Mass., and died December 14, 1739 in Reading, Mass. He married **Mary Hett** March 02, 1693 in Reading, Mass..

Children of Benjamin Fitch and Mary Hett are:

96 i. Benjamin[6] Fitch, born January 13, 1693; died January 05, 1702.
97 ii. Eliphalet Fitch, born October 29, 1695; died January 21, 1702.
+ 98 iii. Mary Fitch, born May 28, 1698. m. Samuel Greenwood
99 iv. Joseph Fitch, born July 30, 1700; died October 10, 1729. He met Phebe Gross.
100 v. Ann Fitch, born May 05, 1704; died July 30, 1705.
+ 101 vi. Benjamin Fitch, born September 25, 1706; died 1767. m. Jerusha Boylston

52. Samuel[5] Fitch (Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 04, 1673, and died April 04, 1742. He married **(1) Elizabeth Walker** March 20, 1695, daughter of Joseph Walker and Sarah Wyman. He married **(2) Eunice Taylor** 1717.

Children of Samuel Fitch and Elizabeth Walker are:

102 i. Sarah[6] Fitch, born December 25, 1696; died February 04, 1697.
+ 103 ii. Sarah Fitch, born May 04, 1698. m. Richard Hickson
+ 104 iii. Samuel Fitch, born February 14, 1699; died January 09, 1775 in Westford, ____.
+ 105 iv. Joseph Fitch, born October 22, 1702; died February 07, 1769.
+ 106 v. Benjamin Fitch, born July 30, 1703; died July 17, 1770 in Bedford, Mass.
+ 107 vi. John Fitch, born February 12, 1707; died April 08, 1795 in Ashby, NH.
+ 108 vii. Jeremiah Fitch, born Aft. 1707; died Bef. 1803 in Bedford, Mass.
+ 109 viii. Zachariah Fitch, born February 13, 1712; died December 08, 1800 in Bedford, Mass.

Child of Samuel Fitch and Eunice Taylor is:

110 i. Elizabeth[6] Fitch, born September 22, 1718. She married Joseph Mead December 11, 1735.

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73. Mary[6] Fitch (Thomas (Hon.)[5], Thomas[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born August 28, 1706, and died November 25, 1732. She married **Andrew (Hon.) Oliver** June 29, 1728, son of Daniel Oliver and Elizabeth Belcher.

Notes for Andrew (Hon.) Oliver:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p231.

Child of Mary Fitch and Andrew Oliver is:

111 i. Andrew (Jr)[7] Oliver.

94. Zachariah[6] Fitch (Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 24, 1693 in Reading, Mass., and died Bef. 1746. He married **Abigail Davison** 1718 in Reading, Mass., daughter of Daniel (Major) Davison.

Children of Zachariah Fitch and Abigail Davison are:

112 i. Zachariah[7] Fitch, born March 09, 1719.
113 ii. Mary Fitch, born August 29, 1721; died Aft. 1746. unmarried
114 iii. Abigail Fitch, born September 06, 1723.
115 iv. Jacob Fitch, born September 03, 1725. He married Eleanor Stayner August 03, 1746.
116 v. Benjamin Fitch, born February 09, 1727.
+ 117 vi. Anna Fitch, born March 20, 1729; died 1820 in Fitchburg, Mass. m. Nathaniel Sheldon
118 vii. Elizabeth Fitch, born January 31, 1731. She married Samuel Gorrod 1760.

95. Joseph (III)[6] Fitch (Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 04, 1695 in Reading, Mass., and died March 16, 1754 in Reading, Mass.. He married (1) **Margaret Clark** January 15, 1718 in Boston, Mass, daughter of Timothy Clark and Sarah Sprague. He married (2) **Mehitable Gibson** April 06, 1749 in Reading, Mass., daughter of Benjamin Gibson and Mehitable Austin.

Children of Joseph Fitch and Mehitable Gibson are:

119 i. Margaret[7] Fitch, born December 05, 1719; died May 09, 1722.
+ 120 ii. Joseph (IV) Fitch, born August 21, 1721; died October 31, 1748 in Boston, Mass. - Anne Waldo
+ 121 iii. Margaret Fitch, born March 14, 1722. m. Wm. Downe
122 iv. Prudence Fitch, born August 18, 1724; died August 22, 1734.
+ 123 v. Timothy Fitch, born October 23, 1725 in Boston, Mass.; died September 28, 1790 in Medford, Mass.. m. Abigail Dorrhue
124 vi. Thomas Fitch, born January 12, 1726; died February 26, 1754 in Reading, Mass..
+ 125 vii. Jonas Fitch, born June 01, 1728; died September 11, 1819 in Bristol, ME. - m. Mary Hareed
126 viii. Jeremiah Fitch, born November 10, 1729; died May 26, 1730.
+ 127 ix. Sarah Fitch, born May 08, 1731. m. Thomas Dutton
128 x. John Fitch, born October 02, 1733; died January 04, 1739. 5 yrs
129 xi. Prudence Fitch, born March 05, 1734; died 1734.
130 xii. Hannah Fitch, born October 09, 1736.
131 xiii. Jonathan Fitch, born March 1737; died June 21, 1738.
132 xiv. Mary Fitch, born September 10, 1739; died February 16, 1740.

98. Mary[6] Fitch (Benjamin[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born May 28, 1698. She married **Samuel Greenwood** August 08, 1717.

Children of Mary Fitch and Samuel Greenwood are:

133 i. Samuel[7] Greenwood.
134 ii. Benjamin Greenwood.

101. Benjamin[6] Fitch (Benjamin[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born September 25, 1706, and died 1767. He married **Jerusha Boylston** October 28, 1731, daughter of **Zabdiel Boylston and Jerusha Minot.**

Notes for Jerusha Boylston:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p233.

Children of Benjamin Fitch and Jerusha Boylston are:

135 i. Benjamin[7] Fitch, born February 18, 1732; died Bef. 1767.
136 ii. Jerusha Fitch, born April 13, 1734; died Aft. 1767.
137 iii. Joseph Fitch, born August 24, 1735; died Aft. 1767.
138 iv. Zabdiel Fitch, born November 29, 1736; died Aft. 1799 in Jamacia ??.
139 v. John Fitch, born January 14, 1738; died November 12, 1739.
140 vi. Eliphalet Fitch, born November 05, 1740; died Aft. 1799 in Kingston, Jamacia ??.

141 vii. Mary Fitch, born September 23, 1742; died Aft. September 1742.
142 viii. Thomas Fitch, born 1743.

103. Sarah[6] Fitch (Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born May 04, 1698. She married **Richard Hickson August 26, 1727.**

Children of Sarah Fitch and Richard Hickson are:
143 i. Richard[7] Hickson, born January 15, 1728.
144 ii. Elizabeth Hickson, born September 18, 1730.
145 iii. Sarah Hickson, born February 08, 1731. She married George Monk November 20, 1761.
146 iv. Samuel Hickson, born December 09, 1734. He married Mary White March 22, 1771.
147 v. Eunice Hickson, born October 26, 1736; died October 28, 1737.
148 vi. Jeremiah Hickson, born November 14, 1738; died July 30, 1758.

More About Jeremiah Hickson:
: July 30, 1758, died in His Majesty's Service at Lake George

104. Samuel[6] Fitch (Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 14, 1699, and died January 09, 1775 in Westford, ____. He married **Joanna Keyes** April 24, 1732, **daughter of Joseph Keyes and Joanna Cleveland.**

Notes for Samuel Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XXI, p235.

More About Samuel Fitch:
Occupation: farmer in Westford

Children of Samuel Fitch and Joanna Keyes are:
149 i. Samuel[7] Fitch, born August 28, 1733; died Aft. August 1733.
\+ 150 ii. Joanna Fitch, born January 29, 1734. m. Eleazer Read
\+ 151 iii. Lydia Fitch, born March 13, 1737; died February 13, 1801. m. Francis Leighton

105. Joseph[6] Fitch (Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born October 22, 1702, and died February 07, 1769. He married **(1) Rachael Blanchard**, daughter of Joseph Blanchard and Abiah Hassell. He married **(2) Sarah Grimes** January 21, 1730, daughter of William Grimes.

More About Joseph Fitch:
Occupation: Farmer, Wheelwright, and builder of Bedford, Mass

Children of Joseph Fitch and Sarah Grimes are:
152 i. Sarah[7] Fitch, born March 25, 1732; died September 16, 1825. She married Josiah (Capt) Crosby August 23, 1750.

Notes for Josiah (Capt) Crosby:
For a full account of their descendants, see "A Crosby Family", by Judge Nathan Crosby. (per "RC", Vol.I, page 243.)

153 ii. Joseph Fitch, born July 14, 1734; died September 21, 1736.
\+ 154 iii. Molley Fitch, born October 16, 1737. m. Jonathan Blodgett
155 iv. Susannah Fitch, born July 22, 1743. She married Josiah Munroe November 16, 1768.

More About Josiah Munroe:
: Served in the Revolutionary War
: 1776-1781, Served in the N.H. Continental Line

156 v. Joseph Fitch, born October 02, 1746.
157 vi. Ruth Fitch, born October 02, 1749; died October 02, 1749.
+ 158 vii. Thaddeus Fitch, born March 23, 1755. m. Mary Moore

106. Benjamin[6] Fitch (Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born July 30, 1703, and died July 17, 1770 in Bedford, Mass. He married **Miriam Gray** February 28, 1732, daughter of Solomon Gray.

Notes for Benjamin Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XXI, p236.

More About Benjamin Fitch:
Occupation: Farmer, and miller. Mill was on the Shawsine (shine) River

Children of Benjamin Fitch and Miriam Gray are:
159 i. Hannah[7] Fitch, born June 10, 1733. She married David Tarbell August 01, 1751.
+ 160 ii. Miriam Fitch, born January 23, 1734. m. Timothy Jaquith
161 iii. Benjamin Fitch, born January 06, 1735.
162 iv. Betty Fitch, born Bef. June 14, 1738. She married Noah Wyeth March 30, 1763.

More About Betty Fitch:
Baptism: June 14, 1738

More About Noah Wyeth:
Occupation: Brickmaker

163 v. Lois Fitch, born October 03, 1740. She married Edward Powers November 02, 1776.
+ 164 vi. David Fitch, born May 22, 1755; died July 27, 1813. m. Mary Fowle
165 vii. Lydia Fitch, born March 21, 1744; died March 11, 1759.
166 viii. Eunice Fitch, born July 26, 1747. She married Daniell McNichol September 29, 1778.
167 ix. Nathan Fitch, born January 27, 1748; died May 13, 1755.
168 x. Isaac Fitch, born May 18, 1752; died July 24, 1773.
169 xi. Abel Fitch, born Abt. 1755; died Aft. 1769.

More About Abel Fitch:
Baptism: 1755

107. John[6] Fitch (Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 12, 1707, and died April 08, 1795 in Ashby, NH. He married **(1) Susannah Gates** Abt. 1733, daughter of Simon Gates and Hannah Benjamin. He married **(2) Elizabeth (Bowers) Pierce** February 14, 1750.

More About John Fitch:
Occupation: Founder of Fitchburg, Mass. named in his honor

Family was captives of Indians

Children of John Fitch and Susannah Gates are:
170 i. Catherine[7] Fitch, born April 28, 1735. - m. Wm. Campbell
171 ii. John Fitch, born May 16, 1737.

Notes for John Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XXI, p237.

More About John Fitch:
: 1755, Soldier,per "Military Annuals of Lancaster"

+ 172 iii. Paul Fitch, born January 04, 1741; died May 02, 1818 in Marlborough, NH. m. Mary Jaquith

173 iv. Jacob Fitch, born June 29, 1744; died in Clarendon, Vt..

More About Jacob Fitch:
Occupation: 1748, carried to Canada, on back of Indian

\+ 174 v. Susannah Fitch, born February 18, 1746; died July 10, 1827. m. Jonathan Chase

Children of John Fitch and Elizabeth Pierce are:

\+ 175 i. Molley[7] Fitch, born November 23, 1752. m. Thomas Hutchinson
176 ii. Sarah Fitch, born June 11, 1755.

108. Jeremiah[6] Fitch (Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born Aft. 1707, and died Bef. 1803 in Bedford, Mass. He married **Elizabeth Lane** February 03, 1735, daughter of John Lane and Catherine Whiting.

Notes for Jeremiah Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p237.

Children of Jeremiah Fitch and Elizabeth Lane are:

\+ 177 i. Samuel[7] Fitch, born November 09, 1736; died July 21, 1809 in Acton, NH. m. Mary Blood
178 ii. Elizabeth Fitch, born December 24, 1738; died October 06, 1750. 11 yes.
\+ 179 iii. Jeremiah Fitch, born September 25, 1742 in Bedford, Mass.; died December 29, 1808. m. Lydia Smith
180 iv. John Fitch, born August 14, 1745 in Bedford, Mass; died May 31, 1820.
unmarried

More About John Fitch:
Occupation: Farmer , Bedford, Mass.

181 v. Matthew Fitch, born August 14, 1745; died August 03, 1811 in Bedford, Mass. He married Lydia Lane.

More About Matthew Fitch:
Occupation: Farmer

182 vi. Joanna Fitch, born February 29, 1748. She married Benjamin Tidd January 06, 1774.

More About Benjamin Tidd:
: Soldier in the Revolutionary War

183 vii. Patty Fitch, born July 14, 1750; died Aft. 1793. unmarried
184 viii. Elizabeth Fitch, born August 07, 1752; died March 01, 1825. unmarried
\+ 185 ix. Moses (Dea.) Fitch, born March 03, 1755 in Bedford, Mass.; died October 12, 1825. m. Rachel Stearns

109. Zachariah[6] Fitch (Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 13, 1712, and died December 08, 1800 in Bedford, Mass. He married **Elizabeth Grimes** October 01, 1733, daughter of William Grimes.

Children of Zachariah Fitch and Elizabeth Grimes are:

\+ 186 i. Zachariah (Capt.)[7] Fitch, born April 01, 1734 in Groton, Mass; died September 02, 1820. m. Rebecca Davis
187 ii. William Fitch, born February 19, 1735.

More About William Fitch:
Occupation: Soldier-died in French & Indian War

\+ 188 iii. Elizabeth Fitch, born January 06, 1738; died September 29, 1796 in Bedford, Mass. m. Sam. Lane
\+ 189 iv. Jonas Fitch, born February 05, 1740 in Bedford, Mass; died June 11, 1808 in Groton, Mass. m. Annis Shattu
190 v. Ebenezer Fitch, born September 04, 1743; died September 06, 1749.

191 vi. Esther Fitch, born September 12, 1745; died September 23, 1749.
192 vii. Lucy Fitch, died September 11, 1749.
+ 193 viii. Esther Fitch, born October 13, 1749. m. Nehemiah Lawrence
+ 194 ix. Ebenezer (Lt.) Fitch, born August 05, 1751; died January 26, 1826 in Sterling, NH. m. Persis Bush
195 x. Lucy Fitch, born July 06, 1753; died July 10, 1822. She married (1) Joseph Hill. She married (2) Peter Hill November 07, 1793.
+ 196 xi. Sarah Fitch, born January 02, 1755; died April 15, 1826 in Groton, ____. m. Lt. Sam. Hemenway
+ 197 xii. Phebe Fitch, born November 25, 1756; died March 25, 1841 in Bedford, Mass. m. John Sprague
+ 198 xiii. Alice Fitch, born November 10, 1759; died March 16, 1829 in Belgrade, Me. m. Henry Woods
199 xiv. Daniel Fitch, born February 21, 1764; died October 12, 1843 in Eaton, NH.

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117. Anna[7] Fitch (Zachariah[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 20, 1729, and died 1820 in Fitchburg, Mass. She married **Nathaniel Sheldon** Abt. 1749 in Reading, Mass., son of Ephraim Sheldon.

Children of Anna Fitch and Nathaniel Sheldon are:

200 i. Hannah[8] Sheldon, born 1750 in Reading, Mass; died 1834 in Fitchburg, Mass. She married Jacob Damon.
+ 201 ii. Nathaniel Sheldon, born January 09, 1752 in Reading, Mass.
+ 202 iii. Zachariah Sheldon, born March 10, 1754 in Reading, Mass; died in Fitchburg, Mass.
203 iv. Susannah Sheldon, born June 05, 1756 in Reading, Mass. She married Russell Sheldon.
+ 204 v. William Sheldon, born July 07, 1758 in Reading, Mass; died 1826 in Ashby, Mass..
205 vi. Lucy Sheldon, born March 07, 1761 in Reading, Mass; died Abt. 1798 in Ashby, Mass.. She married Jonathan Lawrence.
+ 206 vii. Benjamin Sheldon, born July 20, 1764 in Reading, Mass; died October 25, 1825 in Fitchburg, Mass.
207 viii. Benjamin Sheldon, born July 10, 1765.
208 ix. Mary Sheldon, born 1767; died in Wilton, NH. She married Amos Eaton.
209 x. Elizabeth Sheldon, born January 10, 1770. She married Joseph Eaton.
210 xi. Tamar Sheldon, born March 10, 1774 in Reading, Mass. She married Jonathan Page.
211 xii. 04otherChldrnNathaniel Sheldon.

120. Joseph (IV)[7] Fitch (Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born August 21, 1721, and died October 31, 1748 in Boston, Mass. He married **Anne Waldo** April 05, 1744, daughter of John Waldo and Elizabeth Fenno.

Children of Joseph Fitch and Anne Waldo are:

+ 212 i. Prudence[8] Fitch, born December 16, 1744; died October 17, 1803. m. Abijah Hunt
213 ii. Ann Fitch, born October 22, 1746. She married George Wheeler 1742. m. George Wheeler
214 iii. Joseph Fitch, born December 14, 1748; died February 08, 1749.

121. Margaret[7] Fitch (Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 14, 1722. She married **William Downe** March 12, 1740 in Boston, Mass., son of William Downe and Sarah Danforth.

Children of Margaret Fitch and William Downe are:

215 i. William[8] Downe, born July 17, 1741 in Boston, Mass..
216 ii. Joseph Downe, born December 30, 1742 in Boston, Mass.; died February 20, 1828 in Fitchburg, Mass. He married Martha Wood.
217 iii. Samuel Downe, born January 17, 1744 in Cambridge, Mass.; died in Cavendish, VT. He married Eunice Wentworth January 01, 1771.
218 iv. Sarah Downe, born December 20, 1746 in Lunenburg,; died March 24, 1755.
219 v. Margaret Downe, born August 19, 1749 in Lunenburg,. She married Samuel Davis.

220 vi. Elizabeth Downe, born December 18, 1751 in Lunenburg,.

123. Timothy[7] Fitch (Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born October 23, 1725 in Boston, Mass., and died September 28, 1790 in Medford, Mass.. He married **(1) Abigail Hall** August 19, 1746 in Medford, Mass., daughter of Andrew Hall and Abigail Walker. He married **(2) Eunice Browne** October 16, 1760, daughter of Benjamin Browne and Eunice Turner.

Notes for Timothy Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p219.

Children of Timothy Fitch and Abigail Hall are:

+ 221 i. Abigail[8] Fitch, born April 05, 1747; died October 29, 1813. m. Hugh Tarbet
+ 222 ii. Elizabeth Fitch. m. Kendell Pitts
223 iii. Margaret Fitch, born Abt. 1751. She married _____ Gordon.
+ 224 iv. Hannah Fitch, born Bef. February 1753. m. Joseph Barrell
225 v. Sarah Fitch, died Bef. 1790. She married Edward Gray.
226 vi. Betsey Fitch, died Bef. 1800. unmarried

Children of Timothy Fitch and Eunice Browne are:

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227 i. John Brown[8] Fitch. He married Hepzebah Hall.
228 ii. Charles Harrison Fitch. He married _____ Orne.

More About Charles Harrison Fitch:
Occupation: Merchant, Medford, Mass

229 iii. Hannah Brown Fitch, born May 14, 1777. She married Ezekial Hersey Derby September 18, 1794.
230 iv. Eunice Fitch. She married Andrew Hall April 19, 1789.

125. Jonas[7] Fitch (Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born June 01, 1728, and died September 11, 1819 in Bristol, ME. He married **(1) Annis Miller**. He married **(2) Mary Harrod** April 12, 1751 in Boston, Mass.

Children of Jonas Fitch and Mary Harrod are:

231 i. Joseph[8] Fitch, born February 09, 1752 in Boston, Mass..
232 ii. Catherine Fitch, born Bef. January 13, 1754.

More About Catherine Fitch:
Baptism: January 13, 1754

233 iii. John Fitch. He married Sally Patterson September 22, 1789.
+ 234 iv. Timothy Fitch, born November 20, 1757; died January 04, 1826 in Bristol, Maine.
235 v. Mary Fitch.
236 vi. Hannah Fitch.

127. Sarah[7] Fitch (Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born May 08, 1731. She married **Thomas Dutton** September 09, 1756 in Fitchburg, Mass ??, son of Thomas Dutton and Hannah Burge.

Children of Sarah Fitch and Thomas Dutton are:

237 i. Joseph Fitch[8] Dutton, born June 03, 1757.
238 ii. Susannah Dutton, born March 07, 1759.
239 iii. John Dutton, born July 09, 1761.

150. Joanna[7] Fitch (Samuel[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born January 29, 1734. She married **Eleazer Reed**.

Child of Joanna Fitch and Eleazer Reed is:

240 i. 11childrenEleazer[8] Reed.

151. Lydia[7] Fitch (Samuel[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 13, 1737, and died February 13, 1801. She married **Francis Leighton** October 20, 1760 in Westford, Mass., son of John Leighton.

Notes for Francis Leighton:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p235.

Child of Lydia Fitch and Francis Leighton is:

241 i. 11childrenFrancis[8] Leighton.

154. Molley[7] Fitch (Joseph[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born October 16, 1737. She married **Jonathan Blodgett** January 12, 1757 in Lexington, Mass..

Children of Molley Fitch and Jonathan Blodgett are:

242 i. Jonathan[8] Blodgett, born March 06, 1756 in Lexington, Mass.. He married (1) Susannah Tenney. He married (2) Parna Goodenough.

243 ii. Molley Blodgett, born October 03, 1760 in Lexington, Mass.; died July 05, 1819. She married Roger Gilmore 1781.

244 iii. Thaddeus Blodgett, born December 24, 1762 in Lexington, Mass.; died 1807.

\+ 245 iv. Charlotte Blodgett, born April 14, 1769 in Jaffrey, NH; died July 06, 1834.

246 v. Joseph Blodgett, born October 14, 1770 in Jaffrey, NH; died May 28, 1842. He married Elizabeth French.

158. Thaddeus[7] Fitch (Joseph[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 23, 1755. He married **Mary Moore** September 14, 1779 in Bedford, Mass, daughter of John Moore and Mary Wheeler.

More About Thaddeus Fitch:
: Soldier in the Revolutionary War
: At Bunker Hill in Capt. Josiah Crosby's Co.
: Quartermaster in Stark's Brigade in the Bennington campaign

Children of Thaddeus Fitch and Mary Moore are:

\+ 247 i. Mary[8] Fitch, born December 29, 1779; died May 31, 1812.

248 ii. Sarah Fitch, born September 22, 1781.

249 iii. Joseph Fitch, born July 10, 1797; died December 30, 1830.

160. Miriam[7] Fitch (Benjamin[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born January 23, 1734. She married **Timothy Jaquith** September 11, 1778 in Billerica, ____., son of Abraham Jaquith and Hannah Farley.

Child of Miriam Fitch and Timothy Jaquith is:

250 i. Alice[8] Jaquith, born November 30, 1779.

164. David[7] Fitch (Benjamin[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born May 22, 1755, and died July 27, 1813. He married **Mary Fowle** April 03, 1770.

More About David Fitch:
: 1775, Served in Capt. John Moore's Company

Children of David Fitch and Mary Fowle are:

251 i. Polly[8] Fitch, born October 23, 1770. She married Benjamin Wheeler.
\- 252 ii. Lydia Fitch, born December 07, 1772; died January 24, 1852. m. Nath. Page
\+ 253 iii. David Fitch, born June 28, 1777; died May 24, 1860. m. Hannah Proctor
254 iv. Isaac Fitch, born January 15, 1782; died February 05, 1797.

172. Paul[7] Fitch (John[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born January 04, 1741, and died May 02, 1818 in Marlborough, NH. He married **Mary Jaquith** 1767, daughter of **Abraham Jaquith and Hannah Farley**.

More About Paul Fitch:
: 1777, Served in Cap't. Salmon Stone's Company

Children of Paul Fitch and Mary Jaquith are:

255 i. Hannah[8] Fitch, born June 28, 1768 in Ashby, NH; died September 18, 1854 in Jaffrey, NH. She married John Moore.

More About John Moore:
Occupation: farmer in Sharon,
: Served in Revolutionary War

256 ii. John Fitch, born October 11, 1770 in Lancaster, NH; died 1841 in Cleveland, Ohio.
\+ 257 iii. Paul Fitch, born June 21, 1773 in Lancaster, NH; died December 18, 1843 in Claremont, NH.
\+ 258 iv. Mary Fitch, born March 15, 1776 in Rindge, NH; died October 23, 1835.
259 v. Alice Fitch, born April 11, 1779 in Peterborough, NH; died 1859.

More About Alice Fitch:
Occupation: blind for many years - - unm.

\+ 260 vi. Abigail Fitch, born February 26, 1782 in Jaffrey, NH.
261 vii. Jacob Fitch, born February 20, 1785 in Jaffrey, NH; died August 19, 1852 in Marlborough, NH.
\+ 262 viii. Susan Fitch, born October 02, 1789 in Jaffrey, NH; died June 29, 1875 in Hinsdale, NH.
\+ 263 ix. Luther Jaquith Fitch, born September 08, 1792 in Jaffrey, NH; died February 05, 1872 in Hopkinton, NH.

174. Susannah[7] Fitch (John[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 18, 1746, and died July 10, 1827. She married **Joshua Chase** Abt. June 1770.

Children of Susannah Fitch and Joshua Chase are:

264 i. Jacob[8] Chase, born June 30, 1771 in Shirley, NH. He married (1) Jenny Nelson. He married (2) Olive Wilson 1791.
265 ii. Abigail Chase, born April 25, 1773.
266 iii. William P. Chase, born June 08, 1775 in Shirley, NH; died 1778 in Chesterfield, NH.
267 iv. George Chase, born January 02, 1778; died Aft. January 02, 1778 in Chesterfield, NH.
268 v. Susannah Chase, born October 17, 1780.
269 vi. William P. Chase, born June 02, 1783.
270 vii. Lucy Chase, born April 08, 1786.
271 viii. John Chase, born August 15, 1788.

175. Molley[7] Fitch (John[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born

November 23, 1752. She married **Thomas Hutchinson** March 15, 1771 in Rindge, ____.

More About Thomas Hutchinson:
: Served in Cap't. Thomas's Co., Col. Reed's Regiment, at Bunker Hill
: 1777-1780, Served in the N.H. Continental Line

Child of Molley Fitch and Thomas Hutchinson is:

272 i. Betty[8] Hutchinson, born October 05, 1771 in Rindge, ____.

177. Samuel[7] Fitch (Jeremiah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born November 09, 1736, and died July 21, 1809 in Acton, NH. He married **(1) Mary Blood** May 28, 1766, daughter of Stephen Blood. He married **(2) Abiel ( ) Walker** April 23, 1778.

Children of Samuel Fitch and Mary Blood are:

273 i. Lot[8] Fitch, born April 19, 1768; died May 24, 1840 in Temple, NH. He married (1) Rhonda _____. He married (2) Pamela Hoar August 28, 1792 in Acton, Mass..
274 ii. Noah Fitch, born April 19, 1768; died Abt. 1839 in Springville, NY. He married Mary Davis.
275 iii. Samuel (Dr) Fitch, born February 22, 1770; died November 01, 1857. He married Eunice Perry.
276 iv. Luke Fitch, born January 02, 1771.
277 v. Mary Fitch, born December 18, 1774; died September 23, 1853 in Littleton, NH. She married Samuel Read December 29, 1795.
278 vi. Daniel Fitch, born April 11, 1776.

Children of Samuel Fitch and Abiel Walker are:

279 i. Betsey[8] Fitch, born 1779. She married (1) _____ Read. She married (2) Samuel Read.
280 ii. Irad Fitch, born July 12, 1781; died 1838.

179. Jeremiah[7] Fitch (Jeremiah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born September 25, 1742 in Bedford, Mass., and died December 29, 1808. He married **Lydia Smith** April 19, 1770 in Bedford, Mass., daughter of Jonas Smith and Thankful Fiske.

Children of Jeremiah Fitch and Lydia Smith are:

\+ 281 i. Alford[8] Fitch, born August 02, 1786; died June 22, 1852.
282 ii. Lydia Fitch.

More About Lydia Fitch:
Buried: young

\+ 283 iii. Jeremiah Fitch, born May 14, 1778; died July 10, 1840.
284 iv. Almon Fitch, born August 08, 1780; died November 23, 1820. He married Martha Wood March 28, 1811.
285 v. Amos Fitch, born July 26, 1782. He married Martha Starr April 07, 1813.
286 vi. John Fitch, born February 06, 1785; died February 05, 1850.

185. Moses (Dea.)[7] Fitch (Jeremiah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 03, 1755 in Bedford, Mass., and died October 12, 1825. He married **Rachel Stearns** November 14, 1782 in Bedford, Mass., daughter of Edward Stearns and Lucy Wyman.

Notes for Moses (Dea.) Fitch:
ref: Roscoe Conkling Fitch, :Fitch Family History: Vol. I, page 248, 249.

Children of Moses Fitch and Rachel Stearns are:

+ 287 i. Solomon[8] Fitch, born November 08, 1783; died November 18, 1870 in Littleton, NH.
288 ii. Lucy Fitch, born July 07, 1785 in Bedford, Mass.; died February 1861 in Bedford, Mass.. She married John Page March 05, 1810 in Bedford, Mass..
+ 289 iii. Moses Fitch, born March 28, 1787 in Bedford, Mass.; died August 01, 1824 in Bedford, Mass..
290 iv. Elijah Fitch, born January 10, 1790 in Bedford, Mass.; died May 07, 1840 in Boston, Mass.. He married Mary Morse.
+ 291 v. Rachel Fitch, born November 30, 1791 in Bedford, Mass.; died March 26, 1868.
292 vi. Joel Fitch, born June 12, 1794 in Bedford, Mass.; died August 04, 1845 in Bedford, Mass.. He married Susannah Hill February 18, 1819 in Bedford, Mass..

More About Joel Fitch:
Occupation: Farmer, then merchant, and Deacon

293 vii. Nathan Fitch, born October 22, 1797 in Bedford, Mass.; died February 09, 1800 in Bedford, Mass..

186. Zachariah (Capt.)[7] Fitch (Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born April 01, 1734 in Groton, Mass, and died September 02, 1820. He married **(1) Rebecca Davis** October 15, 1755, daughter of Eleazer Davis and Rebecca Chandler. He married **(2) Lydia Tuck** August 04, 1763. He married **(3) Sibyl Lakin** February 03, 1767. He married **(4) Elizabeth Tuttle** May 11, 1809.

More About Zachariah (Capt.) Fitch:
: Served in the French and Indian Wars
: Captain in the Revolutionary War

Children of Zachariah Fitch and Rebecca Davis are:

294 i. Rebecca[8] Fitch, born 1759; died June 23, 1793. She married Benjamin Whitney 1779.
295 ii. Abigail Fitch, born 1761; died 1831.
+ 296 iii. John Fitch.
+ 297 iv. William Fitch, born in Groton, Mass.

Children of Zachariah Fitch and Lydia Tuck are:

298 i. Richard[8] Fitch, born October 25, 1763; died in Baldwin, Maine.
299 ii. Joseph Fitch, born February 13, 1766; died in Baldwin, Maine.

Children of Zachariah Fitch and Sibyl Lakin are:

300 i. William[8] Fitch, born February 18, 1768. He married Betsey Woods March 08, 1792.
+ 301 ii. Elizabeth Fitch, born December 30, 1769; died April 06, 1844.
302 iii. Sibyl Fitch, born May 07, 1772; died in Fryeburg, Maine. She married David Potter June 02, 1793.
+ 303 iv. Zachariah Fitch, born April 21, 1775 in Groton, Mass.; died 1848.
304 v. John Fitch, born September 20, 1777. He married Susan Parker February 16, 1801.

More About John Fitch:
Occupation: Farmer
: Abt. 1825, opened a soap-stone quarry, on his farm

305 vi. Sally Fitch, born May 18, 1780 in Groton, Mass.. She married Ezra (Jr) Farnsworth June 03, 1821.

More About Sally Fitch:
: May 18, 1780, "THE DARK DAY"

+ 306 vii. Luther Fitch, born January 28, 1783; died August 15, 1870 in Portland, Maine.

188. Elizabeth[7] Fitch (Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born January 06, 1738, and died September 29, 1796 in Bedford, Mass. She married **Samuel Lane** December 08, 1763, son of John Lane and Hannah Abbott.

Child of Elizabeth Fitch and Samuel Lane is:

307 i. 4childrenSamuel[8] Lane.

189. Jonas[7] Fitch (Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 05, 1740 in Bedford, Mass, and died June 11, 1808 in Groton, Mass. He married **Anna Shattuck** October 11, 1775, daughter of Jonathan Shattuck and Kezia Farnsworth.

Notes for Jonas Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p213.

More About Jonas Fitch:
Occupation: Clockmaker
: June 11, 1808, Drowned in Groton

Children of Jonas Fitch and Anna Shattuck are:

308 i. Annis[8] Fitch, born July 14, 1776; died January 25, 1824. She married Simeon Nutting February 03, 1814.
309 ii. Millie Fitch, born July 09, 1779; died June 04, 1803 in Pepperell, Mass.. She married Thomas Blood October 07, 1793.
\+ 310 iii. Jonas (II) Fitch, born March 23, 1783.
311 iv. Polly Fitch, born September 22, 1785. She married Thomas Blood.
312 v. Calvin Fitch, born July 09, 1790; died February 13, 1815.

193. Esther[7] Fitch (Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born October 13, 1749. She married **Nehemiah Lawrence** October 25, 1774, son of Amos Lawrence and **Abigail Abbott**.

Child of Esther Fitch and Nehemiah Lawrence is:

313 i. 4dauNehemiah[8] Lawrence.

194. Ebenezer (Lt.)[7] Fitch (Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born August 05, 1751, and died January 26, 1826 in Sterling, NH. He married **Persis Bush** August 29, 1780 in Lancaster, NH, daughter of Jotham Bush and Hepsibah Keyes.

Notes for Ebenezer (Lt.) Fitch:
ref: Roscoe Conkling Fitch, "Fitch Family History", Vol I, page 251.

More About Ebenezer (Lt.) Fitch:
: April 19, 1775, Sergant, Bedford Company Minute Men
: Ensign, Cap'tBenjamin Walker's Company, Bunker Hill
: 1775, Siege of Boston, participant

Children of Ebenezer Fitch and Persis Bush are:

\+ 314 i. Edward Raymond[8] Fitch, died February 17, 1825 in Fitch Hill, Sterling,.
\+ 315 ii. Ebenezer Fitch, died in _____, Louisiana.
\+ 316 iii. Hepsibah Fitch, born 1784-1785; died January 10, 1824.
317 iv. Bush Fitch.
318 v. William Fitch.
\+ 319 vi. Torrey Fitch, born 1795; died September 04, 1843 in Lancaster, NH.
\+ 320 vii. Ackley Fitch, born 1797; died October 27, 1871 in E. New York City, NY.
\+ 321 viii. Stillman Fitch, born December 03, 1800.

+ 322 ix. George Fitch, born 1803; died December 23, 1854 in Lancaster, NH.
323 x. Cynthia Fitch. She married Paul Bailey.

196. Sarah[7] Fitch (Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born January 02, 1755, and died April 15, 1826 in Groton, ____. She married **Samuel (Lt.) Hemenway** April 26, 1774, son of Phineas (Rev.) Hemenway.

Child of Sarah Fitch and Samuel Hemenway is:
324 i. Samuel Dr.)[8] Fitch.

197. Phebe[7] Fitch (Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born November 25, 1756, and died March 25, 1841 in Bedford, Mass. She married **John Sprague** April 26, 1784 in Bedford, Mass, son of Nicholas Sprague and Sarah Walker.

Child of Phebe Fitch and John Sprague is:
325 i. 7childrenJohn[8] Sprague.

198. Alice[7] Fitch (Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born November 10, 1759, and died March 16, 1829 in Belgrade, Me. She married **Henry (Capt.) Woods**, son of Henry Woods and Deborah Parker.

Child of Alice Fitch and Henry Woods is:
326 i. 10ChildrenHenry (Capt)[8] Woods.

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201. Nathaniel[8] Sheldon (Anna[7] Fitch, Zachariah[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born January 09, 1752 in Reading, Mass. He married **Sarah Carter** April 29, 1779.

Child of Nathaniel Sheldon and Sarah Carter is:
327 i. 04ChldrnNathaniel[9] Sheldon.

202. Zachariah[8] Sheldon (Anna[7] Fitch, Zachariah[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 10, 1754 in Reading, Mass, and died in Fitchburg, Mass. He married **Mary Jones** October 20, 1765.

Child of Zachariah Sheldon and Mary Jones is:
+ 328 i. Samuel[9] Sheldon.

204. William[8] Sheldon (Anna[7] Fitch, Zachariah[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born July 07, 1758 in Reading, Mass, and died 1826 in Ashby, Mass.. He married **Hannah Page** October 04, 1793, daughter of Jonathan Page and Elizabeth Johnson.

Child of William Sheldon and Hannah Page is:

329 i. 04chldrnWilliam[9] Sheldon.

206. Benjamin[8] Sheldon (Anna[7] Fitch, Zachariah[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born July 20, 1764 in Reading, Mass, and died October 25, 1825 in Fitchburg, Mass. He married **Esther Flint**.

More About Benjamin Sheldon:
Buried: young

Child of Benjamin Sheldon and Esther Flint is:
330 i. 03chldrnBenjamin[9] Sheldon.

212. Prudence[8] Fitch (Joseph (IV)[7], Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born December 16, 1744, and died October 17, 1803. She married **Abijah Hunt** 1762 in Braintree, Mass., son of Benjamin Hunt and Sarah Arnold.

Child of Prudence Fitch and Abijah Hunt is:
331 i. 12ChldrnAbijah[9] Hunt.

221. Abigail[8] Fitch (Timothy[7], Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born April 05, 1747, and died October 29, 1813. She married **Hugh Tarbet** November 05, 1771.

Children of Abigail Fitch and Hugh Tarbet are:
332 i. Hugh[9] Tarbet.
333 ii. Abigail Tarbet, born 1773; died October 29, 1813. She married Augustus Hunt.
334 iii. Fitch Tarbet.
335 iv. Nancy Tarbet. She married Samuel Buell.

More About Samuel Buell:
Occupation: 1797-1813, Postmaster, Medford, Mass

222. Elizabeth[8] Fitch (Timothy[7], Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]). She married **Lendall Pitts**, son of James Pitts and Elizabeth Bowdoin.

Children of Elizabeth Fitch and Lendall Pitts are:
336 i. William[9] Pitts, born August 22, 1779; died 1846. He married Emily Shattuck December 15, 1810.
337 ii. James Lendall Pitts, born 1780; died 1798.
338 iii. Elizabeth Warner Pitts, born December 15, 1783; died 1851. She married Gerad Cazeneau.

More About Gerad Cazeneau:
Occupation: French Counsul at Portsmouth, NH, and New York City

339 iv. Margaret Gordon Pitts, born 1784; died August 17, 1823.

224. Hannah[8] Fitch (Timothy[7], Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born Bef. February 1753. She married **Joseph Barrell**.

More About Hannah Fitch:
Baptism: February 04, 1753

Child of Hannah Fitch and Joseph Barrell is:

340 i. Hannah[9] Barrell. She married Benjamin Joy.

234. Timothy[8] Fitch (Jonas[7], Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born November 20, 1757, and died January 04, 1826 in Bristol, Maine. He married **Abigail Webster** February 15, 1786 in Edgecomb, ME.

More About Timothy Fitch:
: Soldier in the Revolutionary War

Children of Timothy Fitch and Abigail Webster are:

341 i. John[9] Fitch, born December 14, 1786.

342 ii. Abigail Fitch, born September 20, 1788. She married Samuel Doe January 27, 1809.

343 iii. Betsey Fitch, born December 09, 1790. She married John Goody 1810.

344 iv. Timothy Fitch, born March 17, 1793; died 1812-1815.

More About Timothy Fitch:
: Died in the War of 1812

345 v. Harrod Fitch, born November 29, 1796. He married Sally McFarland 1825.

346 vi. Sally Fitch, born December 26, 1799.

\+ 347 vii. Prudence Fitch, born September 23, 1802; died November 08, 1869.

245. Charlotte[8] Blodgett (Molley[7] Fitch, Joseph[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born April 14, 1769 in Jaffrey, NH, and died July 06, 1834. She married **David Lacy** November 02, 1788.

Child of Charlotte Blodgett and David Lacy is:

348 i. Betsy[9] Lacy. She married Jonas M. Melville.

More About Jonas M. Melville:
: "a gentleman of wealth and influence"

247. Mary[8] Fitch (Thaddeus[7], Joseph[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born December 29, 1779, and died May 31, 1812. She married **Oliver Reed** September 02, 1810, son of Oliver Reed and Sarah Bridge.

Children of Mary Fitch and Oliver Reed are:

349 i. Nathan Oliver[9] Reed, born February 06, 1812; died in Bedford, Mass. He married (1) Nancy Bacon. He married (2) Martha Simonds Fitch December 18, 1834.

350 ii. Mary Elizabeth Reed.

252. Lydia[8] Fitch (David[7], Benjamin[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born December 07, 1772, and died January 24, 1852. She married **Nathaniel Page** September 10, 1801.

Child of Lydia Fitch and Nathaniel Page is:

351 i. 8childrenNathaniel[9] Page.

253. David[8] Fitch (David[7], Benjamin[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born June 28, 1777, and died May 24, 1860. He married **(1) Hannah Proctor** November 12, 1799,

daughter of Peter Proctor and Molly Putman. He married (2) **Olive Simonds** January 08, 1805, daughter of Jonathan Simonds and Phebe Cummings. He married (3) **Susan Dodge** Aft. September 1859, daughter of David Dodge and Polly Stevens.

Children of David Fitch and Hannah Proctor are:

+ 352 i. David[9] Fitch, born February 20, 1802; died May 19, 1851 in Bedford, Mass.
+ 353 ii. Hannah Proctor Fitch, born December 10, 1803; died January 20, 1844.

Children of David Fitch and Olive Simonds are:

354 i. Mary Fowle[9] Fitch, born 1805; died August 04, 1806.
+ 355 ii. Mary Fowle Fitch, born May 29, 1807; died May 15, 1871.
+ 356 iii. Abel Fitch, born April 25, 1809; died April 27, 1865.
+ 357 iv. Nathan Fitch, born February 13, 1811; died March 20, 1890.
358 v. Jonahan Simonds Fitch, born 1814; died January 25, 1819.
359 vi. Martha Simonds Fitch, born May 29, 1817; died May 22, 1841 in Bedford, Mass. She married Nathan Oliver Reed December 18, 1834.
360 vii. Olive Fitch, born April 24, 1820. She married Robert A. Cook May 23, 1854.
361 viii. Isaac Fitch, born December 23, 1824; died February 13, 1825.
362 ix. Lucy Fitch, born December 23, 1824; died May 05, 1854.

257. Paul[8] Fitch (Paul[7], John[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born June 21, 1773 in Lancaster, NH, and died December 18, 1843 in Claremont, NH. He married (1) **Sarah Walker** November 25, 1802, daughter of Samuel Walker and Joanna Rice. He married (2) **Sarah Davis** December 21, 1815.

Child of Paul Fitch and Sarah Walker is:

363 i. 6childrenPaul[9] Fitch.

Child of Paul Fitch and Sarah Davis is:

364 i. 6childrenPaul[9] Fitch.

258. Mary[8] Fitch (Paul[7], John[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 15, 1776 in Rindge, NH, and died October 23, 1835. She married **William Moore** April 15, 1799, son of David Moore and Margaret Taggart.

Children of Mary Fitch and William Moore are:

365 i. Mary Fitch[9] Moore, born April 20, 1807. She married Samuel Stearns March 04, 1830.
366 ii. 10childrenWilliam Moore.

260. Abigail[8] Fitch (Paul[7], John[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 26, 1782 in Jaffrey, NH. She married **Joseph Piper** 1809.

Child of Abigail Fitch and Joseph Piper is:

367 i. 4childrenJoseph[9] Piper.

262. Susan[8] Fitch (Paul[7], John[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born October 02, 1789 in Jaffrey, NH, and died June 29, 1875 in Hinsdale, NH. She married (1) **David Blood** August 07, 1808. She married (2) **Joseph Tolman** March 03, 1815, son of Joseph Tolman and Martha Clark.

Child of Susan Fitch and David Blood is:
368 i. 3childrenDavid[9] Blood.

Child of Susan Fitch and Joseph Tolman is:
369 i. 8childrenJoseph[9] Tolman.

263. Luther Jaquith[8] Fitch (Paul[7], John[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born September 08, 1792 in Jaffrey, NH, and died February 05, 1872 in Hopkinton, NH. He married **Jane Hoyt** November 04, 1822.

Child of Luther Fitch and Jane Hoyt is:
370 i. Sarah Jane[9] Fitch, born in Hopkinton, NH. She married Samuel Spofford.

281. Alford[8] Fitch (Jeremiah[7], Jeremiah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born August 02, 1786, and died June 22, 1852. He married **Sally Reed** June 04, 1818, daughter of Roger Reed and Sarah Webber.

Child of Alford Fitch and Sally Reed is:
371 i. Sally Reed[9] Fitch, born February 19, 1820.

283. Jeremiah[8] Fitch (Jeremiah[7], Jeremiah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born May 14, 1778, and died July 10, 1840. He married **Mary Rand** May 10, 1804 in Boston, Mass, daughter of Robert Rand and Mary Simpkins.

Child of Jeremiah Fitch and Mary Rand is:
\+ 372 i. Mary Rand[9] Fitch, born August 30, 1813; died June 13, 1881.

287. Solomon[8] Fitch (Moses (Dea.)[7], Jeremiah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born November 08, 1783, and died November 18, 1870 in Littleton, NH. He married **Susannah Fuller** January 07, 1808, daughter of Benjamin Fuller and Mary Parks.

More About Solomon Fitch:
Occupation: farmer

Child of Solomon Fitch and Susannah Fuller is:
373 i. Susan[9] Fitch, born June 13, 1817. She married Charles E. Morrison.

More About Charles E. Morrison:
Occupation: Lawyer
: Compiled "Morrison's Digest of New Hampshire Law Reports"

289. Moses[8] Fitch (Moses (Dea.)[7], Jeremiah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 28, 1787 in Bedford, Mass., and died August 01, 1824 in Bedford, Mass.. He married **Polly Brown** December 06, 1810 in Bedford, Mass., daughter of _____ Brown and Abigail Page.

Child of Moses Fitch and Polly Brown is:

374 i. John Moses[9] Fitch, born July 08, 1811 in Bedford, Mass..

291. Rachel[8] Fitch (Moses (Dea.)[7], Jeremiah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born November 30, 1791 in Bedford, Mass., and died March 26, 1868. She married **Joseph Brown** February 18, 1819, son of _____ Brown and Abigail Page.

Child of Rachel Fitch and Joseph Brown is:

\+ 375 i. _____[9] Brown.

296. John[8] Fitch (Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]).

Child of John Fitch is:

\+ 376 i. John (Jr)[9] Fitch.

297. William[8] Fitch (Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born in Groton, Mass.

Child of William Fitch is:

\+ 377 i. George[9] Fitch, born in So. Bridgton, Maine.

301. Elizabeth[8] Fitch (Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born December 30, 1769, and died April 06, 1844. She married **Samuel (Sr) Farnsworth** November 25, 1788, son of Isaac Farnsworth and Anna Green.

More About Samuel (Sr) Farnsworth:
Occupation: Physician, of Bridgeton, Maine

Children of Elizabeth Fitch and Samuel Farnsworth are:

378 i. Samuel (Jr)[9] Farnsworth, born October 19, 1791.

More About Samuel (Jr) Farnsworth:
Occupation: Physician, of Bridgeton, Maine

379 ii. Benjamin Franklin Farnsworth, born December 07, 1793; died 1851 in _____, Tenn..

More About Benjamin Franklin Farnsworth:
: 1813, Dartmouth College
: 1851, President, of Tennessee University (at death)

380 iii. 06otherChldrn SamSr Farnsworth.

303. Zachariah[8] Fitch (Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born April 21, 1775 in Groton, Mass., and died 1848. He married **Amelia Blood** 1800, daughter of Levi Blood and Sarah Coburn.

Notes for Zachariah Fitch:
ref: Roscoe Conkling Fitch, "Fitch Family History", Vol I, page 250.

Children of Zachariah Fitch and Amelia Blood are:

+ 381 i. _____[9] Fitch.
382 ii. 07otherChldrnZac Fitch.

306. Luther[8] Fitch (Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born January 28, 1783, and died August 15, 1870 in Portland, Maine. He married **Almira Titcomb**, daughter of Andrew Titcomb and Mary Dole.

More About Luther Fitch:
Occupation: Lawyer
: 1807, Graduated, Dartmouth College
: Judge, Municipal Court

Child of Luther Fitch and Almira Titcomb is:

383 i. 08Chldrn Luther[9] Fitch.

310. Jonas (II)[8] Fitch (Jonas[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 23, 1783. He married **Thirza Jewett** October 29, 1809, daughter of Nehemiah Jewett.

Children of Jonas Fitch and Thirza Jewett are:

+ 384 i. Jonas (III)[9] Fitch, born March 21, 1811 in Pepperell, Mass.
385 ii. 04otherChldrnJonasII Fitch.

314. Edward Raymond[8] Fitch (Ebenezer (Lt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) died February 17, 1825 in Fitch Hill, Sterling,. He married **Susannah Kiburn**.

Child of Edward Fitch and Susannah Kiburn is:

386 i. 05ChldrnE.R.[9] Fitch.

315. Ebenezer[8] Fitch (Ebenezer (Lt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) died in _____, Louisiana.

Children of Ebenezer Fitch are:

387 i. John[9] Fitch.
388 ii. George Fitch.
389 iii. Ebenezer Fitch.
390 iv. Timothy Fitch.
391 v. Mary Fitch.
392 vi. Eunice Fitch.
393 vii. Elizabeth Fitch.

316. Hepsibah[8] Fitch (Ebenezer (Lt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born 1784-1785, and died January 10, 1824. She married **Martin Jennison**, son of Jonathan Jennison and Rhoda Ashley.

Child of Hepsibah Fitch and Martin Jennison is:

394 i. Alfred[9] Jennison, born October 02, 1805.

319. Torrey[8] Fitch (Ebenezer (Lt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2],

William[1]) was born 1795, and died September 04, 1843 in Lancaster, NH. He married **Harriet Thurston**, daughter of Silas Thurston and Sarah Kendall.

More About Torrey Fitch:
Occupation: Innholder, in Lancaster, NH

Children of Torrey Fitch and Harriet Thurston are:

395 i. Charles T.[9] Fitch.
396 ii. Edwin Raymond Fitch.
397 iii. maybe1?Torrey Fitch.

320. Ackley[8] Fitch (Ebenezer (Lt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born 1797, and died October 27, 1871 in E. New York City, NY. He married **Ann E. Ludlow**.

Children of Ackley Fitch and Ann Ludlow are:

398 i. Charles Henry[9] Fitch, born in New York, NY.
399 ii. 02otherChldrnAckley Fitch.

321. Stillman[8] Fitch (Ebenezer (Lt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born December 03, 1800. He married **Harriette Mellen** Abt. 1802.

Children of Stillman Fitch and Harriette Mellen are:

400 i. George Edward[9] Fitch, born January 02, 1833.
401 ii. Harriette Mellen Fitch, born December 18, 1836; died 1855.
402 iii. John Bush Fitch, born April 01, 1841.

322. George[8] Fitch (Ebenezer (Lt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born 1803, and died December 23, 1854 in Lancaster, NH. He married **Sophronia Willard Houghton** 1827, daughter of Elijah Houghton and Ruth _____.

Children of George Fitch and Sophronia Houghton are:

403 i. Andrew Lucien[9] Fitch, born January 28, 1837; died in Sterling, NH. He married (1) Abbie Wheeler. He married (2) Minnie G. Harrington.
404 ii. 05otherChldrnGeorge Fitch.

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328. Samuel[9] Sheldon (Zachariah[8], Anna[7] Fitch, Zachariah[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]).

Child of Samuel Sheldon is:

405 i. Francis[10] Sheldon.

347. Prudence[9] Fitch (Timothy[8], Jonas[7], Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born September 23, 1802, and died November 08, 1869. She married **Joseph Brown**.

More About Joseph Brown:
: 1856, Lost at sea

Children of Prudence Fitch and Joseph Brown are:

+ 406 i. _____[10] Brown.
407 ii. 03otherChldrnJoseph Brown.

352. David[9] Fitch (David[8], David[7], Benjamin[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 20, 1802, and died May 19, 1851 in Bedford, Mass. He married **Betsey Buttrick** March 31, 1825 in Bedford, Mass.

Child of David Fitch and Betsey Buttrick is:

408 i. 08ChldrnDavid[10] Fitch.

353. Hannah Proctor[9] Fitch (David[8], David[7], Benjamin[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born December 10, 1803, and died January 20, 1844. She married **Bela (Dr) Gardner** April 24, 1823, son of Abel Gardner.

Child of Hannah Fitch and Bela Gardner is:

409 i. 08chldrnBela[10] Gardner.

355. Mary Fowle[9] Fitch (David[8], David[7], Benjamin[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born May 29, 1807, and died May 15, 1871. She married **Benjamin F. Hartwell** January 20, 1835 in Bedford, Mass.

Child of Mary Fitch and Benjamin Hartwell is:

410 i. 02chldrnB.F.[10] Hartwell.

356. Abel[9] Fitch (David[8], David[7], Benjamin[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born April 25, 1809, and died April 27, 1865. He married **Nancy Bacon** October 06, 1835 in Bedford, Mass, daughter of Stephen Bacon and Mary Porter.

Child of Abel Fitch and Nancy Bacon is:

411 i. 03chldrnAbel[10] Fitch.

357. Nathan[9] Fitch (David[8], David[7], Benjamin[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born February 13, 1811, and died March 20, 1890. He married **Louisa Burnham** September 09, 1834.

Child of Nathan Fitch and Louisa Burnham is:

412 i. Nathan A.[10] Fitch, born September 09, 1835; died in Somerville, Mass.. He married Calista F. Tarbell December 01, 1859.

More About Nathan A. Fitch:
Occupation: Provision dealer, Boston, Mass.
: 1883-1884, Alderman

372. **Mary Rand[9] Fitch** (Jeremiah[8], Jeremiah[7], Jeremiah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born August 30, 1813, and died June 13, 1881. She married **John Henry Jenks**, son of William (Rev) Jenks.

Children of Mary Fitch and John Jenks are:

413 i. Charles W.[10] Jenks, born in Bedford, Mass.

414 ii. Henry F. (Rev) Jenks, born in Canton,.

375. **_____[9] Brown** (Rachel[8] Fitch, Moses (Dea.)[7], Jeremiah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]).

Child of _____ Brown is:

415 i. Abram English[10] Brown.

376. **John (Jr)[9] Fitch** (John[8], Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]). He married **Lucy Sawtelle**.

Children of John Fitch and Lucy Sawtelle are:

\+ 416 i. William Henry (Dr)[10] Fitch, born June 18, 1843 in Cherry Valley, Winnebago Co., IL; died in Rockford, IL.

417 ii. Luther P. (Dr) Fitch, born March 26, 1836 in Groton, Mass. He married Margaret Baker.

More About Luther P. (Dr) Fitch:
: 1863-1866, Civil War-Ass't Surgeon, 47th. U.S. Colored Infantry

377. **George[9] Fitch** (William[8], Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born in So. Bridgton, Maine.

Child of George Fitch is:

\+ 418 i. Edwin Peabody[10] Fitch, born in San Diego, CO.

381. **_____[9] Fitch** (Zachariah[8], Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]).

Child of _____ Fitch is:

419 i. Ellen Eliza[10] Fitch, born in Malden,.

384. **Jonas (III)[9] Fitch** (Jonas (II)[8], Jonas[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born March 21, 1811 in Pepperell, Mass. He married **Catharine D. Blodgett** June 19, 1836, daughter of Abiel Blodgett and Margaret _____.

Notes for Jonas (III) Fitch:
"History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p216, 250.

More About Jonas (III) Fitch:
Occupation: Architect / Construction

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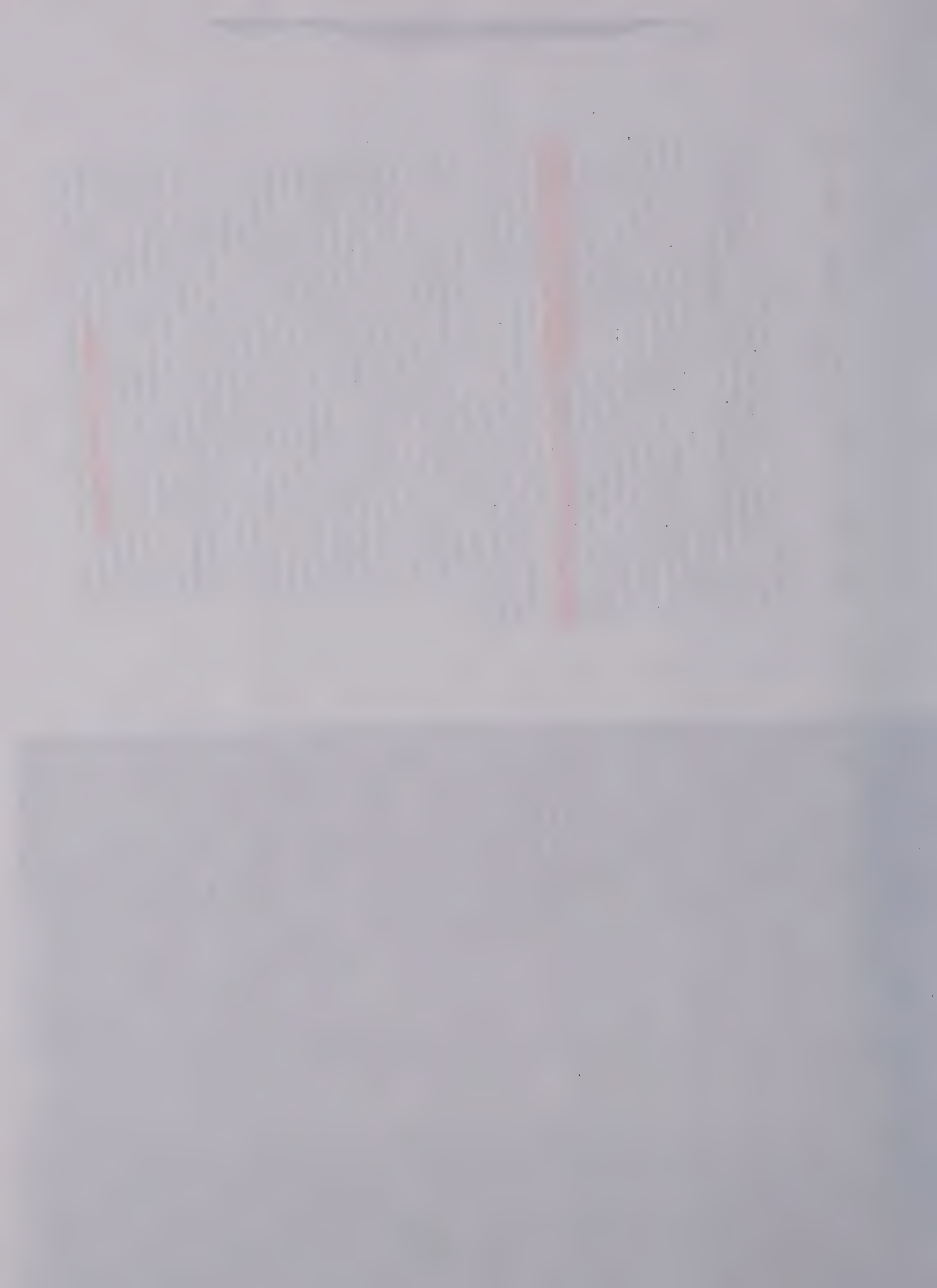
THE DESCENDANTS OF DEA. ZACHARY FITCH OF READING.

It is the province of this genealogy, in the Register, to present a condensed record of the descendants of Dea. Zachary Fitch. The space assigned for these articles will not admit an extended notice of individuals, but dates, residence and general facts will be presented, to clearly identify the several persons named.

In the Register, Vol. xlvi., p. 323, is found the will of Thomas Fitch of Bocking, Essex, England. He married Anne Reve, Aug. 6, 1611, and died in Bocking, 1632 or early in the following year. He names sons, Thomas, John, James, Samuel, and Joseph, who came to New England, and also names other children, Nathaniel, Jeremy, Mary, Anna and Sarah. The first bequest provides for the oldest son Thomas, born 1612, died in Conn., 1704. The second bequest, "To my son and his heirs the messuage in Bocking, late of Richard Usher, deceased," &c., possibly designates a son whose name is unintentionally omitted. It remains, however, to be proved that Dea. Zachary Fitch of Reading was a son of Thomas Fitch of Bocking. The date of the birth of Dea. Zachary Fitch, and of his older sons, is not recorded, but the age of some of his grand-children suggests that possibly Dea. Zachary Fitch was a few years too old to be admitted among the children of Thomas Fitch of Bocking.

1. Zachary[1] Fitch, the emigrant ancestor, of one branch of the Fitch Families of New England, came to Lynn about 1633. It is understood that he lived in Lynn a few years, and settled about 1640 in the South Parish of Reading, now Wakefield, where he lived until his death. The boundary lines of Lynn and other early towns were not clearly defined—Zachary Fitch with others received grants of land from Lynn which fell within the town of Reading when that town was organized. It is probable that he occupied the land in Reading, now Wakefield, a few years earlier than the date assumed by Eaton's History of Reading. He was admitted freeman in 1638. He was an original member of the Church of Reading, and a Deacon from 1645 until he died; and a selectman, 1649, '51, '61. In the records of Reading he is frequently named, and in the colonial papers of his time the good character of the man is fully confirmed. A facsimile of his autograph is found in the Register, Vol. xxxiii, page 61, and other autographs are found in original papers. He wrote the name Zachrie, and his contemporaries frequently wrote it Zachary and Zachery, but the name of his son and of many of his descendants has taken the full form of Zachariah. The name of his wife was Mary, but a record of the marriage has not been found. It is certain that he was married about the time he emigrated to America, and, so far as known, the marriage could have been consummated in England or immediately after his arrival in America. He died in Reading, June 9, 1662. His will is dated March 18, 1662. To his sons Benjamin, Joseph and Samuel, who were farmers remaining in Reading, he devised lands in Reading; and to his sons Jere-



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miah, Thomas and John he gave money. It is known that Jeremiah and Thomas were merchants in Boston, and as this is the only mention we have of John, it is presumed from the character of the bequest that he had removed from Reading, and possibly was engaged in business. In naming the children of Zachary and Mary Fitch, the order of age is not fully known.

Children:

2. i. Thomas,[2] m. Martha Fisk.
3. ii. Jeremiah, m. Esther ——.
4. iii. Benjamin, m. Elizabeth Skerry.
5. iv. Sarah, m. John Weston.
6. v. Joseph, b. 1634; m. Hannah Sweetser.
vi. John.
7. vii. Samuel, b. March 6, 1644–5; m. Sarah Lane.
viii. Zachariah, d. June 20, 1647.

2. Thomas[2] Fitch, son of Dea. Zachary[1], removed to Boston at an early age. He married about 1654, Martha Fisk, only dau. David and Sarah (Smith) Fisk of Watertown. He is styled cordwainer, Shoemaker but he owned houses and stores in Boston. He was a constable 1663, and sealer of leather 1670. He died 1678. Administration of his estate was committed to the Widow Martha. The inventory includes one negro man.

Children:

i. Martha,[3] b. Nov. 9, 1656.
8. ii. Mary, b. Feb. 17, 1657–8; m. Thomas Hunt.
iii. Elizabeth, b. 1659; died young.
9. iv. Sarah, b. June 14, 1661; m. Thomas Warren.
v. Elizabeth, b. Aug. 2, 1664.
10. vi. Thomas, b. Feb. 5, 1668–9; m. Abiel Danforth.

3. Jeremiah[2] Fitch, son of Dea. Zachary[1], settled in Boston. He was a glover, and prosperous. He was clerk of the market, and frequently named in Boston records. I do not find a record of his first marriage—her name was Esther. She died Sept. 14, 1656. He m. second, in Weymouth, Feb. 25, 1657, Sarah Chubbuck, b. 1638, dau. of Thomas Chubbuck of Hingham. He m. third, Sept. 5, 1689, Martha Messinger, widow of John Messinger of Boston. He d. May 3, 1692. She d. March 14, 1703.

Children:

i. Mary[3], b. March 1, 1652–3.
ii. Jeremiah, b. Feb. 5, 1658–9; d. young.
iii. Zachariah, b. Feb. 19, 1660–1; d. Aug. 13, 1661.
iv. Deborah, b. Nov. 5, 1662; d. Jan. 14, 1662–3.
v. Sarah, b. Feb. 21, 1663–4.
vi. Deborah, b. June 27, 1665; m. Joseph Belknap, b. Jan. 26, 1657–8, son of Joseph. She d. April 20, 1687. Three children.
vii. Abigail, b. Aug. 5, 1666.
viii. Jeremiah, b. Sept. 1, 1667.
ix. Rebecca, b. Feb. 19, 1668–9; m. Jan. 21, 1702, William Tedman.
x. Esther, b. Sept. 29, 1670.
xi. Eleanor, b. Aug. 20, 1676.

4. Benjamin[2] Fitch, son of Dea. Zachary[1], m. Feb. 27, 1665–6, Elizabeth Skerry. Eaton's Hist. of Reading names Elizabeth Storey as the wife of Benjamin Fitch, but town records assert the name Elizabeth Skerry. In his will, 1694, Francis Skerry, Essex County, names his cousin Elizabeth Fitch, wife of Benjamin Fitch, and her

three daughters. Benjamin Fitch was a farmer in Reading, a deacon, selectman many years, and his name is frequently found in the records. Elizabeth, his wife, d. Aug. 17, 1697. He m. second, Mary ——. He d. March 12, 1712–3. In his will he provides for his wife Mary, and names three daughters, Bridget Poole, Elizabeth Brown, deceased, and Mary Bryant.

Children:

i. Zachariah,[3] b. Nov. 24, 1666; d. April 16, 1684.
11. ii. Bridget, b. Nov. 1, 1669; m. Jonathan Poole.
12. iii. Elizabeth, b. March 27, 1671–2; m. John Brown.
13. iv. Mary, b. April 2, 1678; m. Thomas Bryant.

5. John[2] Weston, b. in England, 1631, came to Salem 1644, and settled in Reading, now Wakefield, 1652. He was prosperous, and the possessor of several tracts of valuable land. He m. April 18, 1653, Sarah[2] Fitch, dau. of Dea. Zachary[1]. This is the earliest marriage recorded in Reading. He d. about 1723, aged over 90 years.

Children:

i. John,[3] b. Aug. 17, 1655; d. young.
ii. Sarah, b. July 15, 1656.
iii. Mary, b. May 25, 1659.
iv. John, b. March 9, 1661; m. 1684, Mary Bryant, b. 1666, dau. of Abraham and Mary (Kendall) Bryant. Lived in Reading.
v. Elizabeth, b. Feb. 7, 1662.
vi. Samuel, b. April 16, 1665. Lived in Reading.
vii. Stephen, b. Dec. 8, 1667; m. Sarah Townsend. Lived in Reading.
viii. Thomas, b. Nov. 20, 1670. Lived in Reading.

6. Joseph[2] Fitch, son of Dea. Zachary[1], b. 1634; m. July 2, 1661, Hannah Sweetser, b. 1639, dau. of Seth and Bethiah Sweetser of Charlestown. He was a prosperous farmer in Reading. He d. 1694. She d. Nov. 5, 1673.

Children:

i. Hannah[3], b. March 3, 1661–2; d. March 25, 1662.
14. ii. Joseph, b. Feb. 26, 1662–3; m. Ann Kibbe.
iii. Hannah, b. Nov. 28, 1664.
15. iv. Benjamin, b. July 14, 1667; m. Mary Hett.

7. Samuel[2] Fitch, son of Dea. Zachary[1], b. March 6, 1644–5. He was a farmer in Reading. A facsimile of his signature is found in the Register, Vol. ii., page 234. He m. April 23, 1673, Sarah Lane, dau. of Job Lane of Malden and Billerica. She d. Oct. 2, 1679. He m. second, July 26, 1681, Rebecca Merriam. He d. 1684. His widow Rebecca m. Aug. 19, 1685, Joseph Dustin. In his will he commits his only surviving child, Samuel, to the care of Robert Avery, who married a sister of his first wife.

Children:

16. i. Samuel,[3] b. March 4, 1673-4; m. Elizabeth Walker.
ii. Zachariah, b. Feb. 25, 1674–5; d. March 8, 1674–5.
iii. Job, b. Oct. 27, 1676; d. Nov. 7, 1676.
iv. Sarah, d. Oct. 2, 1679.
v. Sarah, b. Sept. 27, 1679; d. May 21, 1680.

8. Thomas Hunt, b. 1652; m. Mary[2] Fitch, dau. of Thomas[2] Fitch. He was a brush-maker of Boston. The family is named in will of her brother, Hon. Thomas Fitch. She d. Aug. 22, 1703. He m. second, Sept. 12, 1704, Mary (Manning) Francis. He d. 1734.

Thomas and Mary (Fitch) Hunt were the parents of ten children. Children:

i. Thomas, b. Aug. 21, 1681; d. young.
ii. Mary, b. Oct. 7, 1683; d. April 11, 1690.
iii. Thomas, b. March 15, 1685.
iv. Priscilla, b. April 11, 1688.
v. Mary, b. Oct. 11, 1690.
vi. Sarah, b. Dec. 9, 1692; m. Oct. 11, 1716, Robert Watts.
vii. Joanna, b. March 29, 1695; d. young.
viii. Martha, b. Jan. 26, 1696–7; d. Dec. 22, 1713.
ix. Jabez, b. April 5, 1698; m. Hannah Brown. She d. Sept. 21, 1748; he d. Dec. 22, 1762. Obituary in *Evening Post*.
x. Elizabeth, b. April 2, 1700; died young.

9. Thomas Warren, m. Dec. 14, 1694, Sarah[3] Fitch, dau. of Thomas.[2] They lived in Boston, and she was named in the will of her brother, Hon. Thomas Fitch.

Children:

i. Sarah, b. March 8, 1696–7.
ii. Thomas, b. June 11, 1699.

10. Thomas[3] Fitch, son of Thomas,[2] b. in Boston, Feb. 5, 1668–9. The limits of this article will not admit a sketch of one of the most prominent men of his time. The reports of the Record Commissioners, in which he receives frequent and honorable mention, will supply many details. He was a selectman 1702–1705, declining after an election in 1706. He was a representative, a magistrate and a councillor, and in the military service he was a colonel. He was a merchant, and acquired great wealth. A volume of business letters, copied for reference and transcribed by himself, is now in the custody of this Society. Beside valuable real estate in Boston, his estate included 2,200 acres in Lunenburg, 2,346 acres in Dunstable, and nearly equal tracts in Townsend, and several other towns recently organized. He owned a part of the Common north of Boylston street, which fell by inheritance to the Oliver family. His will is dated July 19, 1735. At this date all his children, except Martha Allen, were deceased; but his daughter, Mary Oliver, was represented by a son, Andrew Oliver, Jr. He made a bequest to the poor of Boston, and bequeathed £300 to Harvard College "for the education of scholars of good capacity for the work of the ministry."

He m. April 12, 1694, Abiel Danforth, baptized Jan. 31, 1674–5, daughter of Rev. Samuel and Mary (Wilson) Danforth of Roxbury. He d. June 23, 1736. His widow m. Oct. 19, 1741, Hon. John Osborn who, after her decease, m. Dec. 12, 1745, Sarah Hutchinson.

Children:

i. Mary,[4] b. April 21, 1695; d. March 11, 1695.
ii. Thomas, b. Sept. 21, 1697; d. Dec. 8, 1713.
iii. Samuel, b. Aug. 31, 1703; d. Sept. 10, 1703.
iv. Martha, b. Sept. 25, 1704; m. July 29, 1725, James Allen.
17. v. Mary, b. Aug. 28, 1706; m. Hon. Andrew Oliver.
18. vi. John, b. Oct. 19, 1709; m. Martha Stoddard.

11. Jonathan Poole, b. Feb. 28, 1667, son of Capt. Jonathan and Judith Poole, m. Dec. 3, 1691, Bridget[3] Fitch, daughter of Dea. Benjamin.[2] He lived on the paternal homestead, and was a magistrate, selectman and an active citizen of Reading. He d. May 28, 1723; she d. May 2, 1723.

Children:

i. Jonathan, b. Sept. 14, 1692; m. April 16, 1714, Esther Flagg of Woburn. He d. Feb. 8, 1755.
ii. Benjamin, b. April 7, 1694; m. 1715, Bethiah Mansfield of Lynn. He m. second, Dec. 17, 1723, Mehitable Gibson of Boston. He d. Dec. 17, 1732.
iii. Zachariah, b. April 25, 1696; d. May 15, 1698.
iv. Elizabeth, b. March 28, 1698; m. Nov. 24, 1720, Nicholas Belknap of Boston.
v. Samuel, b. April 10, 1700; m. Dec. 11, 1729, Rebecca Williams of Lynn. He d. May 8, 1752.
vi. William, b. Feb. 24, 1702; prob. d. young.
vii. Zachariah, b. March 25, 1708; m. Sept. 18, 1730, Rebecca Wade of Medford. He d. Feb. 20, 1776.
viii. Mary, b. June 30, 1711; m. Nov. 30, 1731, Ephraim Weston, b. 1700, son of Thomas Weston and grandson of John and Sarah (Fitch) Weston (5). She d. June 5, 1737.
ix. Judith, b. April 29, 1714; d. Sept. 8, 1714.
x. Bridget, b. about 1719.

12. John Brown of Reading, m. May 29, 1694, Elizabeth[3] Fitch, dau. of Dea. Benjamin[2] Fitch. She d. Aug. 12, 1696. No children recorded, and probably there was no living issue.

13. Thomas Bryant, b. April 6, 1674, son of Abraham and Mary (Kendall) Bryant, m. Dec. 10, 1696, Mary[3] Fitch, b. April 2, 1668, dau. of Dea. Benjamin[2] Fitch. They lived in Reading.

Children:

i. Elizabeth, b. Aug. 9, 1697; d. young.
ii. Thomas, b. Aug. 29, 1698; d. young.
iii. Thomas, b. Nov. 14, 1700.
iv. Elizabeth, b. Feb. 2, 1702.
v. Mary, b. April 20, 1706.
vi. John, b. Aug. 19, 1707.

14. Joseph[3] Fitch, b. Feb. 26, 1662–3, son of Joseph,[2] was a farmer of Reading. He m. June 29, 1688, Ann Kibbe. He d. Jan. 9, 1695; and she m. second, May 28, 1700, John Dix, b. 1659, son of Ralph Dix of Ipswich and Reading.

Children of Joseph and Ann (Kibbe) Fitch:

i. Joseph,[4] b. Sept. 3, 1689; d. Nov. 10, 1694.
ii. Anna, b. Aug. 14, 1690; d. June 29, 1697.
19. iii. Zachariah, b. Feb. 24, 1693–4; m. Abigail Davison.
20. iv. Joseph, b. Feb. 4, 1695–6; m. Margaret Clark.

15. Benjamin[3] Fitch, b. July 14, 1667, son of Joseph,[2] removed to Boston, where he was prosperous in business and a citizen of good repute. In 1720, Dublin, a negro servant of Benjamin Fitch, married a servant of Rev. William Cooper, and in his will, to the dower of his wife, he adds Dinah, a negro. He m. March 2, 1693, Mary Hett. He d. Dec. 14, 1739. She d. 1748.

Children:

i. Benjamin,[4] b. Jan. 13, 1693–4; d. Jan. 5, 1702–3.
ii. Eliphalet, b. Oct. 29, 1695; d. Jan. 21, 1702–3.
iii. Mary, b. May 28, 1698; m. Aug. 8, 1717, Samuel Greenwood. They had sons Samuel and Benjamin.
21. iv. Joseph, b. July 30, 1700; marriage intention to Phebe Gross.
v. Ann, b. May 5, 1704; d. July 30, 1705.
22. vi. Benjamin, b. Sept. 25, 1706; m. Jerusha Boylston.

16. SAMUEL[3] FITCH, b. March 4, 1673–4, was son of Samuel.[2] In addition to the estate of his father, he received from his maternal grandfather, Job Lane, one-fourth of the Winthrop farm, upon which he settled at the time of his marriage. (See Hazen's Billerica, and Brown's Bedford.) This farm was in Billerica, and in the incorporation of Bedford, 1729, it was included in the new town. His children were born in Billerica, but those who remained upon the paternal acres were residents of Bedford. He was a soldier in the Indian War, 1706; and many of his sons and grandsons were soldiers in the French and Indian War or in the Revolution. He was town clerk and selectman, and through life an intelligent useful citizen. He m. March 20, 1695, Elizabeth Walker, b. Feb. 13, 1677–8, dau. of Joseph and Sarah (Wyman) Walker of Billerica. She d. Nov. 26, 1716. Seven of her eight children survived her. He m. second, 1717, Eunice Taylor, b. in Concord, Dec. 22, 1678, dau. of John and Eunice (Wooley) Taylor. He d. April 4, 1742. The widow Eunice d. Aug. 27, 1767.

Children by first wife:

i. SARAH,[4] b. Dec. 25, 1696; d. Feb. 4, 1696–7.
23. ii. SARAH, b. May 4, 1698; m. Aug. 26, 1727, Richard Hickson of Stoughton.
24. iii. SAMUEL, b. Feb. 14, 1699–1700.
25. iv. JOSEPH, b. Oct. 2, 1702.
26. v. BENJAMIN, b. July 30, 1705.
27. vi. JOHN, b. Feb. 12, 1707–8.
28. vii. JEREMIAH.
29. viii. ZACHARIAH, b. Feb. 13, 1712–13.

Child by second wife:

ix. ELIZABETH, b. Sept. 22, 1718; m. Dec. 11, 1735, Joseph Mead, b. 1712, son of Stephen and Ruth (Taylor) Mead. They lived upon the Mead homestead in Bedford.

17. ANDREW OLIVER, b. March 28, 1706, son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Belcher) Oliver, H. U. 1724, m. June 29, 1728, Mary[4] Fitch, dau. of Hon. Thomas.[3] His mother was a sister of Gov. Belcher. He was Lieut. Governor, and an agent under the Stamp Act. She d. Nov. 26, 1732. He m. second, Dec. 19, 1734, Mary Sanford, a sister of the wife of Gov. Thomas Hutchinson. Andrew Oliver, a son of Andrew and Mary (Fitch) Oliver, an heir to the estate of his maternal grand-father, m. Mary Lynde.

18. JOHN[4] FITCH, b. Oct. 19, 1709, son of Hon. Thomas,[3] m. March 30, 1732, Martha Stoddard, daughter of Andrew and Martha (Belcher) Stoddard. Gov. Belcher was her maternal uncle. He died, *sine prole*, previous to July 19, 1735.

19. ZACHARIAH[4] FITCH, b. in Reading, Feb. 24, 1693–4, was son of Joseph.[3] He was early a leather dresser, and subsequently engaged in mercantile pursuits. He was active in business, and accumulated a fair estate. He was prominent in town affairs, and acquired tracts of land in several of the new townships. As the guardian of James Kibbe, an insane person, perhaps a maternal uncle, he disposed of a tract of land in Lunenburg belonging to his ward. He m., 1718, Abigail Davison, dau. of Major Daniel Davison of Newbury. He d. previous to 1746. Oil portraits of Zachariah and Abigail (Davison) Fitch, now in the possession of the family of the late Francis Sheldon of Fitchburg, were once in the custody of their daughter Anna, who m. Nathaniel Sheldon, the great grand parents of Francis Sheldon.

Children:

i. ZACHARIAH[5], b. March 9, 1719–20.
ii. MARY, b. Aug. 29, 1721; living and unmarried, 1746.
iii. ABIGAIL, b. Sept. 6, 1723.
iv. JACOB, b. Sept. 3, 1725; m. Aug. 3, 1746, Eleanor Stayner.
v. BENJAMIN, b. Feb. 9, 1727–8.
30. vi. ANNA, b. March 20, 1729–30; m. Nathaniel Sheldon.
vii. ELIZABETH, b. Jan. 31, 1731–2; m. 1760, Samuel Gorrod.

20. JOSEPH[4] FITCH, b. in Reading, Feb. 4, 1695–6, was son of Joseph.[3] In his infancy his widowed mother married John Dix of Reading. He came to Boston in his youth, under the patronage of an older brother, and was admitted to membership in Brattle Street Church, June 5, 1715. He was prosperous in business, and an active useful citizen. He was one of the Prince subscribers, and his name is frequently met in the records of Boston. He m. in Boston, Jan. 15, 1718–9, Margaret Clark, b. April 4, 1697, dau. of Timothy and Sarah (Sprague) Clark. She d. Aug. 23, 1748; and he m. second, April 6, 1749, Mehitable (Gibson) Poole, dau. of Benjamin and Mehitable (Austin) Gibson of Boston, and widow of Benjamin Poole of Reading. At the time of his second marriage, Joseph Fitch removed to Reading, where he d. March 16, 1754. In his will, dated March 2, 1754, witnessed at Reading, he is styled "Joseph Fitch late of Boston." His widow m. third, Samuel Bancroft, b. 1693, son of Dea. Thomas and Sarah (Poole) Bancroft.

Children:

i. MARGARET[5], b. Dec. 5, 1719; d. May 9, 1722.
31. ii. JOSEPH, b. Aug. 21, 1721; m. Anne Waldo.
32. iii. MARGARET, b. March 14, 1722; m. William Downe.
iv. PRUDENCE, b. Aug. 18, 1724; d. Aug. 22, 1734.
33. v. TIMOTHY, b. Oct. 23, 1725; m. Abigail Donahue.
vi. THOMAS, b. Jan. 12, 1726; d. Feb. 26, 1754—headstone in Reading.
34. vii. JONAS, b. June 1, 1728; m. Mary Harrod.
viii. JEREMIAH, b. Nov. 10, 1729; d. May 26, 1730.
35. ix. SARAH, b. May 8, 1731; m. Thomas Dutton.
x. JOHN, b. Oct. 2, 1733; d. Jan. 4, 1739.
xi. PRUDENCE, b. March 5, 1734–5; d. young.
xii. HANNAH, b. Oct. 9, 1736.
xiii. JONATHAN, b. March 1737–8; d. June 21, 1738.
xiv. MARY, b. Sept. 10, 1739; d. Feb. 16, 1739-40.

21. JOSEPH[4] FITCH, b. July 30, 1700, was son of Benjamin.[3] His marriage intention to Phebe Gross was recorded Oct. 1, 1729. The marriage was not consummated. He d. Oct. 10, 1729. Phebe Gross, b. 1695, was the daughter of Samuel and Mary (Cutt) Penhallow, and a grand-daughter of Gov. John Cutt of New Hampshire. She married first, Thomas Gross of Boston; and married second, Oct. 10, 1734, Leonard Vassal, b. in Jamaica, 1678, son of John and Ann (Lewis) Vassal. He d. June 20, 1737. She m. third, Feb. 11, 1738–9, Thomas Graves, H. U. 1703. He d. June 19, 1747; and she m. fourth, March 21, 1749–50, Francis Borland, whom she survived, and died April 3, 1775.

22. Benjamin[4] Fitch, b. Sept. 25, 1706, was son of Benjamin (15). He was a tanner, and his yard was not far from Bowdoin Square. He became wealthy, and each of the five children who survived him received by inheritance valuable real estate in Boston. He m. Oct. 28, 1731, Jerusha Boylston, b. Nov. 5, 1711, daughter of Dr. Zabdiel and Jerusha (Minot) Boylston. He d. 1767. His widow subsequently is frequently named in the records and tax lists of Boston. She survived all her children except her son Zabdiel, who was living in Jamaica, 1799, the date of her will. She also names in her will, Mary and Anna, children of her grandson Joseph Fitch, besides the children of her son Eliphalet Fitch.

Children:

i. Benjamin[5], b. Feb. 18, 1732–3; not living 1767.
ii. Jerusha, b. April 13, 1734; living 1767.
iii. Joseph, b. Aug 24, 1735; living 1767.
iv. Zabdiel, b. Nov. 29, 1736. See Mass. Rolls for his continued service in the Revolution.
v. John, b. Jan. 14, 1738–9; d. Nov. 12, 1739.
vi. Eliphalet, b. Nov. 5, 1740. He was one of the committee selected in 1774 to accompany the selectmen in the annual visitation of the schools of Boston. In 1799 he was of Kingston, in Jamaica.
vii. Mary, b. Sept. 23, 1742; d. young.
viii. Thomas, b. 1743. Timothy Fitch (33) was appointed his guardian, April 10, 1767.

23. Richard Hickson m. Aug. 26, 1727, Sarah[4] Fitch, dau. of Samuel (16). They lived in Stoughton, where six children were born.

Children:

i. Richard, b. Jan. 15, 1728–9.
ii. Elizabeth, b. Sept. 18, 1730.
iii. Sarah, b. Feb. 8, 1731–2; m. Nov. 20, 1761, Geo. Monk.
iv. Samuel, b. Dec. 9, 1734; m. March 22, 1771, Mary White.
v. Eunice, b. Oct. 26, 1736; d. Oct. 28, 1737.
vi. Jeremiah, b. Nov. 14, 1738; d. in His Maj[s] Service at Lake George, July 30, 1758.

24. Samuel[4] Fitch, b. Feb. 14, 1699–1700, son of Samuel (16); m. April 24, 1732, Joanna (Keyes) Kidder, b. 1695, dau. of Joseph and Joanna (Cleveland) Keyes, and widow of Thomas Kidder. She was the mother, by the former marriage, of Aaron, Reuben and Joseph Kidder, of New Ipswich, N. H. Samuel Fitch was a farmer in Westford, where he d. Jan. 9, 1775. She d. March 4, 1787. His will is dated June 6, 1772; probated Feb. 21, 1775. The estate was given to the two daughters.

Children:

i. Samuel[5], b. Aug. 28, 1733; probably d. young.
ii. Joanna, b. Jan. 29, 1734–5; m. March 22, 1754, Eleazer Read, b. Feb. 22, 1731, son of Thomas and Sarah (Fletcher) Read of Westford. Eleven children.
iii. Lydia, b. March 13, 1737; m. Oct. 20, 1760, Francis Leighton, b. 1734, son of John. They lived in Westford, where she d. Feb. 13, 1801. He m. second, Nov. 21, 1802, Mrs. Hannah Jones, widow of Samuel Jones. Her maiden name was Hannah Brown, b. 1764. She m. first, Oct. 25, 1764, Capt. Isaac Davis of Acton, who fell at Concord Bridge on April 19, 1775; and m. second, July 30, 1782, Samuel Jones of Acton. Francis Leighton d. 1806. Eleven children by his first marriage.

25. Joseph[4] Fitch, b. Oct. 22, 1702, was son of Samuel (16). He was a farmer, wheelwright and builder, of Bedford. He built the first meeting house in New Boston, N. H., and in 1747 he was one of a commission to locate the meeting house in Dunstable. He m. Jan. 21, 1730–1, Sarah Grimes, dau. of William Grimes of Lexington. She d. Jan. 22, 1749–50; and he m. second, Rachel (Blanchard) Converse, dau. of Joseph and Abiah (Hassell) Blanchard of Dunstable, and widow of Joshua Converse of Merrimack, N. H., who was drowned in Merrimack river, 1744. Joseph Fitch d. Feb. 7, 1769, and she m. third, June 3, 1773, John Page, b. Oct. 11, 1704, son of Nathaniel and Susannah (Lane) Page of Bedford. John d. Feb. 18, 1782. She d. Jan. 16, 1801. Joseph had six children by the first and one by the second marriage.

Children:

36. i. Sarah[5], b. March 25, 1732; m. Capt. Josiah Crosby.
ii. Joseph, b. July 14, 1734; d. Sept. 21, 1736.
37. iii. Molley, b. Oct. 16, 1737; m. Jonathan Blodgett.
38. iv. Susannah, b. July 22, 1743; m. Capt. Josiah Munroe.
v. Joseph, b. Oct. 2, 1746. He was in Jaffrey, N. H., two or more years from 1769. No additional record secured.
vi. Ruth, b. Oct. 2, 1749; d. same day.
39. vii. Thaddeus, b. March 23, 1755; m. Mary Moore.

26. Benjamin[4] Fitch, b. July 30, 1703, was son of Samuel (16). He was a farmer and a miller. The mill was on the Shawshine river. (See Brown's "Legends of Old Bedford.") He m. Feb. 28, 1732–3, Miriam Gray, b. 1713, dau. of Solomon Gray of Andover. He d. July 7, 1770; and she d. Aug. 25, 1797.

Children:

i. Hannah[5], b. June 10, 1733; m. Aug. 1, 1751, David Tarbell, b. Sept. 25, 1726, son of John Tarbell of Billerica. He was in the Louisburg Expedition, 1745.
ii. Miriam, b. Jan. 23, 1734–5; m. Sept. 11, 1778, Timothy Jaquith, b. March 6, 1743–4, son of Abraham and Hannah (Farley) Jaquith. Lived in Billerica. One child, Alice, b. Nov. 30, 1779.
iii. Benjamin, b. Jan. 6, 1735–6. He was living 1769, but no other record secured.
iv. Betty, birth not recorded; she was baptized June 14, 1738–9. She m. March 30, 1763, Noah Wyeth, b. July 7, 1742, son of Ebenezer and Susannah (Hancock) Wyeth. He was a brick maker, of Cambridge.
v. Lois, b. Oct. 3, 1740; m. Nov. 2, 1776, Edward Powers, then of Boston.
40. vi. David, b. May 22, 1743; m. Mary Fowle.
vii. Lydia, b. March 21, 1744–5; d. March 11, 1759.
viii. Eunice, b. July 26, 1747; m. Sept. 29, 1778, Daniel McNichol, then of Rutland.
ix. Nathan, b. Jan. 27, 1748–9; d. May 13, 1755.
x. Isaac, b. May 18, 1752; d. July 24, 1773.
xi. Abel, bapt. 1755. He was living 1769, the date of the will of his father.

27. John[4] Fitch, b. Feb. 12, 1707–8, was son of Samuel (16). He m. about 1733, Susannah Gates of Stow, dau. of Simon and Hannah (Benjamin) Gates. He settled in Lunenburg, on the Lancaster road, south of the old centre of the town. Subsequently he purchased a tract of land then in the northern part of Lunenburg, where he erected buildings to which he removed his family in 1739. In

the creation of new towns, this homestead became a part of Fitchburg in 1764, and of Ashby in 1767. During the French and Indian wars he lived upon the frontier, and his house was one of a line of block houses fortified for the protection of Westminster, Lunenburg and Townsend. July 5, 1748, the Indians made an attack upon the garrison, killed two soldiers then on duty, and made captives of John Fitch, his wife and five children. They were conducted to Canada, and exchanged as prisoners of war a few months subsequently. Susannah, wife of John Fitch, died on the homeward journey, Dec. 24, 1748. The father and his young children again occupied the homestead. He m. second, Feb. 14, 1750–1, Elizabeth (Bowers) Pierce, b. Sept. 2, 1710, dau. of Samuel and Esther Bowers, and widow of David Pierce of Lunenburg. Through industry, and by inheritance from his father and the father of his first wife, he accumulated for the times a good estate, but in later years he lost heavily in land speculations, and in old age was impoverished. In 1772 he removed to Rindge, N. H., and in 1779 to Harvard, where his wife died Jan. 20, 1780. In 1782 he removed to Jaffrey, N. H., and two years later to Ashby, where he died April 8, 1795. A monument to his memory has been erected at Ashby, and a memorial tablet erected by the Fitchburg Historical Society marks the site of the garrison. Fitchburg was named in his honor. For an extended sketch of John Fitch, see Proceedings of the Fitchburg Historical Society, Vol. 1. He had five children by the first and two by the second marriage.

Children:

i. Catherine,[5] b. April 28, 1735; m. intention, Dec. 14, 1762, to William Campbell of Harvard. He was a soldier from Harvard in the Revolution.

ii. John, b. May 16, 1737; soldier 1755 (see Military Annals of Lancaster).

41. iii. Paul, b. Jan. 4, 1741–2; m. Mary Jaquith.

iv. Jacob, b. June 29, 1744. He was carried to Canada, when four years of age, upon the back of an Indian. The rigor of the thongs with which he was bound dwarfed his lower limbs, and he was a cripple for life. He was a school teacher several years in Rindge, N. H., and vicinity, and about 1778 he removed to Clarendon, Vt.

42. v. Susannah, b. Feb. 18, 1746–7; m. Joshua Chase.

vi. Molley, b. Nov. 23, 1752; m. intention, March 15, 1771, to Thomas Hutchinson, and the same year they removed from Ashby to Rindge, N. H. She was a school teacher at Rindge. He was a soldier in Capt. Thomas's Co., Col. Reed's Regt., at Bunker Hill. In the burning of Charlestown he lost "a pare of trowsers." Commencing 1777, he served three years in the N. H. Continental Line. After the Revolution, he removed to Clarendon, Vt., and after a few years to Camillus, N. Y. About 1815 he returned to Rutland Co., Vt. He had one child, b. in Rindge: i. Betty, b. Oct. 5, 1771.

vii. Sarah, b. June 11, 1755. She was in Rindge, N. H., with her parents, from 1772 to 1779, but later record has not been secured. It is probable that, if then living, she removed to Clarendon, Vt., with her brother Jacob and sister Molley Hutchinson.

28. Jeremiah[4] Fitch, was son of Samuel (16). His birth is not recorded, but he is named in the will of his father. He m. Feb. 3, 1735–6, Elizabeth Lane, b. Oct. 14, 1716, dau. of John and Catherine (Whiting) Lane. He was a good citizen of Bedford. All his sons

were soldiers in the Revolution. No record secured of his death. She d. a widow, Sept. 12, 1803.

Children:

43. i. Samuel[5], b. Nov. 9, 1736; m. Mary Blood.

ii. Elizabeth, b. Dec. 24, 1738; d. Oct. 6, 1750.

44. iii. Jeremiah, b. Sept. 25, 1742; m. Lydia Smith.

iv. John, b. Aug. 14, 1745, twin; a farmer of Bedford; d. unmarried, May 31, 1820.

v. Matthew, b. Aug. 14, 1745, twin; m. Aug. 25, 1774, Lydia Lane, b. Aug. 13, 1749, dau. of Job and Susannah (Fasset) Lane. He was a farmer of Bedford. He d. Aug. 3, 1811.

vi. Joanna, b. Feb. 29, 1747–8; m. Jan. 6, 1774, Benjamin Tidd, b. Lexington, June 21, 1742, son of Joseph and Dorothy (Stickney) Tidd. He was a soldier in the Revolution. In 1790 he removed from Lexington to New Braintree. He d. March 28, 1814.

vii. Patty, b. July 14, 1750; living and unmarried, 1793.

viii. Elizabeth, b. Aug. 7, 1752; d. unmarried, March 1, 1825.

45. ix. Moses, b. March 3, 1755; m. Rachel Stearns.

29. Zachariah[4] Fitch, b. Feb. 13, 1712–3, son of Samuel (16); m. Oct. 1, 1733, Elizabeth Grimes, b. 1717, dau. of William Grimes of Lexington. He was a farmer of Bedford. He d. Dec. 8, 1800; and his wife d. March 12, 1790.

Children:

46. i. Zachariah[5], b. April 1, 1734; m. first, Rebecca Davis.

ii. William, b. Feb. 19, 1735–6; soldier, d. in French and Indian War.

iii. Elizabeth, b. Jan. 6, 1738–9; m. Dec. 8, 1763, Samuel Lane, b. Oct. 21, 1737, son of John and Hannah (Abbott) Lane, and a half brother of Elizabeth Lane, wife of her uncle Jeremiah Fitch. They lived in Bedford, where she d. Sept. 29, 1796; and he d. June 26, 1802. Four children.

47. iv. Jonas, b. Feb. 5, 1740–1; m. Annis Shattuck.

v. Ebenezer, b. Sept. 4, 1743; d. Sept. 6, 1749.

vi. Esther, b. Sept. 12, 1745; d. Sept. 23, 1749.

vii. Lucy, b. ——; d. Sept. 11, 1749.

viii. Esther, b. Oct. 13, 1749; m. Oct. 25, 1774, Nehemiah Lawrence, b. Jan. 14, 1752, son of Amos and Abigail (Abbott) Lawrence. He d. in Groton, July 13, 1786. Four daughters.

48. ix. Ebenezer, b. Aug. 5, 1751; m. Persis Bush.

x. Lucy, b. July 6, 1753; m. Joseph Hill of Billerica, b. Aug. 28, 1749, son of Joseph Hill. He d. Aug. 6, 1789; and she m. second, Nov. 7, 1793, Peter Hill, b. March 9, 1747–8, son of Peter Hill. She d. July 10, 1822. He d. Feb. 21, 1823. Children.

xi. Sarah, b. Jan. 2, 1755; m. April 26, 1774, Lieut. Samuel Hemenway of Groton, b. 1748, son of Rev. Phineas Hemenway of Townsend. She d. in Groton, April 15, 1826. Their son Samuel was a well known physician of Salem and Boston.

xii. Phebe, b. Nov. 25, 1756; m. July 22, 1784, John Sprague, b. in Billerica, April 26, 1759, son of Nicholas and Sarah (Walker) Sprague. They lived on the Fitch homestead in Bedford. He d. March 6, 1810; and she d. March 25, 1841. Seven children.

xiii. Alice, b. Nov. 10, 1759; m. Capt. Henry Woods, b. Dec. 11, 1757, son of Gen. Henry and Deborah (Parker) Woods of Groton and Pepperell. They lived in Pepperell, Eaton, N. H., and Nottingham, N. H. He was town clerk and selectman of Eaton several years. He d. Sept. 2, 1813, near Sackett's Harbor, N. Y., while in service on a government commission to establish the boundary line between New York and Canada. She d. at Belgrade, Me., March 16, 1829. Ten children.

xiv. Daniel, b. Feb. 21, 1764. He was one of the pioneer settlers of Eaton, N. H. He d. Oct. 12, 1843.

30. NATHANIEL SHELDON, son of Ephraim Sheldon, m. about 1749, Anna[5] Fitch, born March 20, 1729–30; dau. of Zachariah (19). They lived in Reading. The births of the children are recorded in Reading. He d. in Reading. The widow Anna subsequently lived with her children in Ashby and in Fitchburg. She d. in Fitchburg, 1820.

Children:

i. HANNAH, b. 1750; m. Jacob Damon, b. March 15, 1746. He d. 1821; she d. 1834.
ii. NATHANIEL, b. Jan. 9, 1752; m. April 29, 1779, Sarah Carter. They lived in Reading. Four children.
iii. ZACHARIAH, b. March 10, 1754; m, Oct. 20, 1785, Mary Jones of Andover. They lived in Andover a few years, removing to Fitchburg 1790. Francis Sheldon, previously named, is a son of Samuel and grandson of Zachariah. See Zachariah Fitch (19).
iv. SUSANNAH, b. June 5, 1756; m. Russell Sheldon, b. Jan. 14, 1752, son of Abraham Sheldon of Reading. He d. June 29, 1843.
v. WILLIAM, b. July 7, 1758; m. Oct. 4, 1793, Hannah Page, b. May 20, 1770, dau. of Jonathan and Esther (Willard) Page of Fitchburg. He lived in Ashby, where he d. 1826. Four children.
vi. LUCY, b. March 7, 1761; m. Jonathan Lawrence, b. in Woburn, Dec. 11, 1758, son of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Johnson) Lawrence of Woburn and Ashby. They lived in Ashby, where she d. about 1798. He m. second, June 24, 1800, Lydia Boynton, and d. 1806.
vii. BENJAMIN, b. recorded July 20, 1764, and again July 10, 1765. Possibly there were two children, and one d. young. He m. Esther Flint. They lived in Fitchburg, where he d. Oct. 25, 1825. Three children.
viii. MARY, b. 1767, recorded June 10, and again July 9; m. Amos Eaton. Removed to Wilton, N. H., 1792.
ix. ELIZABETH, b. Jan. 10, 1770; m. Joseph Eaton of Ashby.
x. TAMAR, b. March 10, 1774; m. Feb. 9, 1797, Jonathan Page of Fitchburg, b. Feb. 22, 1772, son of Jonathan and Esther (Willard) Page.

31. JOSEPH[5] FITCH, b. Aug. 21, 1721, son of Joseph (20); m. April 5, 1744, Anne Waldo, b. July 15, 1719, dau. of John and Elizabeth (Fenno) Waldo. Lived in Boston, where he d. Oct. 31, 1748. She m. second, May 30, 1754, Capt. Nathaniel Wales of Braintree, b. April 11, 1717, son of Elkanah Wales. He d. June 26, 1790; she d. about 1800.

Children:

i. PRUDENCE,[6] b. Dec. 16, 1744; m. 1762, Abijah Hunt, b. Aug. 20, 1743, son of Benjamin and Sarah (Arnold) Hunt. They removed from Braintree to Williamsburg. He d. 1822; and she d. Oct. 17, 1803. Twelve children.
ii. ANN, b. Oct. 22, 1746; m. 1742, George Wheeler.
iii. JOSEPH, b. Dec. 14, 1748; d. Feb. 8, 1748–9.

32. WILLIAM DOWNE, b. in Boston, May 16, 1719, son of Col. William and Sarah (Danforth) Downe; m. in Boston, March 12, 1740, Margaret[5] Fitch, b. March 14, 1722–3, dau. of Joseph (20). He lived in Boston and in Cambridge, removing to Lunenburg 1745. He was selectman, town clerk and Justice of the Court of Sessions. For several years he was clerk of the proprietors of Monadnock No. 1, now Rindge, N. H. His manuscript was scholarly, and his handwriting clear and ornate. He d. May 6, 1759. His widow had a home, for some time at least, with her sister Sarah, wife of Thomas Dutton.

Children:

i. WILLIAM, b. in Boston, July 17, 1741.
ii. JOSEPH, b. in Boston, Dec. 30, 1742; m. Dec. 22, 1768, Martha Wood, b. July 15, 1749. He lived in Fitchburg, where his descendants have been numerous. He d. Feb. 20, 1828; and she d. June 29, 1812.
iii. SAMUEL, b. in Cambridge, Jan. 17, 1744–5; m. Jan. 1, 1771, Eunice Wentworth, b. Dec. 18, 1750, dau. of Moses and Mindwell (Stone) Wentworth of Harvard. They removed to Cavendish, Vt.
iv. SARAH, b. Lunenburg, Dec. 20, 1746; d. March 24, 1755.
v. MARGARET, b. Lunenburg, Aug. 19, 1749; m. Nov. 12, 1771, Samuel Davis, b. June 7, 1735, son of Samuel and Sarah (Boynton) Davis.
vi. ELIZABETH, b. Lunenburg, Dec. 18, 1751.

33. TIMOTHY[5] FITCH, b. in Boston, Oct. 23, 1725, son of Joseph (20), was a prosperous merchant in Boston. He is frequently and honorably named in the records of Boston, and in 1764 he was one of the gentlemen invited to attend the selectmen at the annual visitation of the schools. During the later years of the Revolution he met several losses and retired from business, and subsequently lived in Medford. He m. Aug. 19, 1746, Abigail (Hall) Donahue, b. in Medford, Aug. 15, 1725, dau. of Andrew and Abigail (Walker) Hall, and widow of Capt. David Donahue. She died leaving six daughters. He m. second, Oct. 16, 1760, Eunice (Brown) Plaisted, b. in Salem, 1731, dau. of Benjamin and Eunice (Turner) Brown, and widow of —— Plaisted. He d. in Medford, Sept. 28, 1790. The widow Eunice d. in July 1799.

Children, by first wife:

i. ABIGAIL,[6] bapt. April 5, 1747; m. Nov. 5, 1771, Hugh Tarbet. He d. about 1790. The widow receipts, 1800, for one-seventh of her father's estate, of which Hon. Peter Chardon Brooks was admr. Four children: (1) *Hugh*. (2) *Abigail*, b. 1773; m. Dec. 31, 1795. Augustus Hunt, b. 1769, son of Samuel and Hannah (Taylor) Hunt, He was a merchant, Temple street, Boston. He d. 1812. She d. Oct. 29, 1813. (3) *Fitch*. (4) *Nancy*, m. Samuel Buell, postmaster of Medford, 1797–1813.
ii. ELIZABETH, m. Lendall Pitts, b. 1747, son of Hon. James and Elizabeth (Bowdoin) Pitts. He d. in Boston, Dec. 31, 1781. Four children: (1) *William*, b. Aug. 22, 1779; m. Dec. 15, 1810, Emily Shattuck of Suffield, Conn. She d. Dec. 15, 1831; he d. 1846. (2) *James Lendall*, b. 1780, d. 1798. (3) *Elizabeth Warner*, b. Dec. 15, 1783; m. Gerard Cazeneau, French Consul at Portsmouth, N. H., and New York City. He d. in France, 1830; she d. 1851. (4) *Margaret Gordon*, b. 1784; unm.; d. Aug. 17, 1823.
iii. MARGARET, b. about 1751; m. —— Gordon. She d. without issue.
iv. HANNAH, bapt. Feb. 4, 1753-4; m. Joseph Barrell. She d. soon after marriage. Their daughter, Hannah, m. Benjamin Joy of Boston.
v. SARAH, m. Edward Gray; and d. without surviving children, before 1790.
vi. BETSEY, d. unm., before 1800.

Children, by second wife:

49. vii. JOHN BROWN, m. Hepzebah Hall. Too late
viii. EUNICE, m. April 19, 1789, Andrew Hall, b. Feb. 26, 1761, son of Benjamin and Hepzebah (Jones) Hall. See Hall Genealogy.
ix. CHARLES HARRISON, m. —— Orne. He was a merchant of Medford.
x. HANNAH BROWN, b. May 14, 1777; m. Sept. 18, 1794, Ezekiel Hersey Derby, b. in Salem, Nov. 1, 1772, H. U. 1791, son of Elias Hasket and Elizabeth (Crowninshield) Derby. He d. Oct. 31, 1852. See Essex Inst. Collections, III., 287.

34. JONAS[5] FITCH, b. June 1, 1728, son of Joseph (20); m. in Boston, April 12, 1751, Mary Harrod. He removed to Maine about 1754. In 1756–1759 he was often in the service, and was a lieutenant in Capt. Goodwyn's company, and subsequently a captain. He resided at Pownalsborough, now Dresden, and later in Bristol, Me. He was a selectman, and a substantial citizen. His wife d. 1768, and he m. second, 1772, Widow Annis Miller. He d. Sept. 11, 1819.

Children:

i. JOSEPH,[6] b. Boston, Feb. 9, 1752.
ii. CATHERINE, bapt. Boston, Jan. 13, 1754.
iii. JOHN, m. Sept. 22, 1789, Sally Patterson.
50. iv. TIMOTHY, b. Nov. 20, 1757; m. Abigail Webster.
v. MARY.
vi. HANNAH.

35. THOMAS DUTTON, b. in Billerica, Aug. 28, 1713, son of Thomas and Hannah (Burge) Dutton; m. May 10, 1737, Mary Hill. He removed from Westford to Lunenburg soon after 1741. His wife Mary, the mother of several children, d. about 1754. He m. second, Sept. 9, 1756, Sarah[5] Fitch, b. May 8, 1731, dau. of Joseph (20). By a change in town lines his homestead was within Fitchburg after 1764. He removed, 1766, to Rockingham, Vt.

Children, by second wife:

i. JOSEPH FITCH, b. June 3, 1757.
ii. SUSANNAH, b. March 7, 1759.
iii. JOHN, b. July 9, 1761.

36. JOSIAH CROSBY, b. in Billerica, Nov. 24, 1730, son of Josiah and Elizabeth (French) Crosby; m. Aug. 23, 1750, Sarah[5] Fitch, b. March 25, 1732, dau. of Joseph (25). They lived in Monson, now Milford, N. H. He was a soldier in French and Indian wars, and an officer of distinction in the Revolution. He d. Oct. 15, 1793, and she d. Sept. 16, 1825. They were the progenitors of a celebrated family. For a full account of their descendants, see "A Crosby Family," by Judge Nathan Crosby, 1877.

37. JONATHAN BLODGETT, b. in Lexington, June 28, 1729, son of Thomas and Mary Blodgett; m. Jan. 12, 1757, Molley[5] Fitch, b. Oct. 16, 1737, dau. of Joseph (25). He removed to Jaffrey, N. H., about 1765. Three children b. in Lexington and two in Jaffrey.

Children:

i. JONATHAN, b. March 6, 1756; m. first, Susannah Tenney; m. second, Parna Goodenough. Lived in Harvard, Marlborough, N. H., and Gilead, Me.
ii. MOLLEY, b. Oct. 3, 1760; m. 1781, Roger Gilmore, b. July 31, 1739, son of Robert and Elizabeth Gilmore of Londonderry, N. H.; his second marriage. He was one of the early settlers of Jaffrey, N. H., and a prominent citizen, a captain, selectman, representative, and delegate to the constitutional convention in 1791. He d. 1807; she d. July 5, 1819. Eight children.
iii. THADDEUS, b. Dec. 24, 1762; unm.; d. 1807.
iv. CHARLOTTE, b. April 14, 1769; m. Nov. 2, 1788, David Lacy of Jaffrey, N. H. He d. Feb. 17, 1827, aged 68; she d. July 6, 1834. Nine children; among these, Betsey, wife of Jonas M. Melville, a gentleman of wealth and influence.
v. JOSEPH, b. Oct. 14, 1770; m. Elizabeth French, b. June 20, 1769, dau. of John and Priscilla (Mace) French of Billerica and Jaffrey, N. H. He lived in Jaffrey. He d. May 28, 1842; she d. Dec. 19, 1852. Several children.

38. JOSIAH MUNROE, b. in Lexington, Feb. 12, 1745, son of Marrett and Deliverance (Parker) Munroe; m. Nov. 16, 1768, Susannah[5] Fitch, b. July 22, 1743, dau. of Joseph (25). In 1768 he settled in Jaffrey, N. H., but soon removed to Monson, N. H., and later to Amherst, N. H. In 1788 he removed to Marietta, O. He served in the Revolution, and was a captain in the N. H. Continental Line from 1776 to 1781. See N. H. War Rolls, for a continued record of patriotic service. Six children.

39. THADDEUS[5] FITCH, b. March 23, 1755, was only son of Joseph (25) and Rachel Fitch. He lived in Rindge, N. H., and Amherst, N. H., a few years. He was a soldier in the Revolution, was at Bunker Hill in Capt. Josiah Crosby's company, and a quarter-master in Stark's Brigade in the Bennington campaign. He returned to Bedford, 1778. He m. Sept. 14, 1779, Mary Moore, dau. of John and Mary (Wheeler) Moore.

Children:

i. MARY,[6] b. Dec. 29, 1779; m. Sept. 2, 1810, Oliver Reed, b. Dec. 11, 1755, son of Oliver and Sarah (Bridge) Reed. Lived in Bedford. He d. Aug. 15, 1837; she d. May 31, 1812. They had two children, twins, Nathan Oliver and Mary Elizabeth, b. Feb. 6, 1812. See Family of David Fitch (51).
ii. SARAH, b. Sept. 22, 1781.
iii. JOSEPH, b. July 10, 1797; d. Dec. 30, 1830.

40. DAVID[5] FITCH, b. May 22, 1743; m. April 3, 1770, Mary Fowle. Succeeded his father in the mill and homestead. Served in Capt. John Moore's company, 1775. He d. July 27, 1813; she d. Sept. 19, 1829, aged 82.

Children:

i. POLLY,[6] b. Oct. 23, 1770; m. Benjamin Wheeler of Concord, N. H. Giles Wheeler, Esq., of Concord, is a descendant.
ii. LYDIA, b. Dec. 7, 1772; m. Sept. 10, 1801, Nathaniel Page, b. Oct. 25, 1775, son of Nathaniel and Sarah (Brown) Page of Bedford. He d. Aug. 30, 1858; she d. Jan. 24, 1852. Eight children.
51. iii. DAVID, b. June 28, 1777; m. Hannah Proctor.
iv. ISAAC, b. Jan. 15, 1782; d. Feb. 5, 1797.

41. PAUL[5] FITCH, b. Jan. 4, 1741–2, was son of John (27). He m. 1767, Mary Jaquith, b. Billerica, June 26, 1747, dau. of Abraham and Hannah (Farley) Jaquith. He lived in Ashby until 1770, when he removed to the north part of Lancaster; and in 1775 he bought of his brother Jacob the land and mills in Rindge, N. H., later known as the Kimball and the Converse mills. While a resident of Rindge, he served in Capt. Salmon Stone's company, 1777. In 1778 he removed to Peterborough, N. H., and in 1780 to Jaffrey, N. H. His wife d. in Jaffrey, Feb. 18, 1800. He m. second, in Rindge, Jan. 7, 1802, Joanna (Rice) Walker, widow of Samuel Walker of Rindge. At this date he removed to Marlborough, N. H., where he d. May 2, 1818.

Children:

i. HANNAH,[6] b. Ashby, June 23, 1768; m. John Moore, b. Sharon, N. H., Jan. 20, 1768, son of David and Margaret (Taggart) Moore. He was a soldier in the Revolution, and was a farmer in Sharon. He d. Dec. 20, 1840; she d. Sept. 18, 1854. Nine children.
ii. JOHN, b. Lancaster, Oct. 11, 1770; d. in Cleveland, O., 1841. He was married; but no record obtained of the family.

iii. PAUL, b. Lancaster, June 21, 1773; m. Nov. 25, 1802, Sarah Walker, b. 1784, dau. of Samuel and Joanna (Rice) Walker of Rindge, N. H. She d. Nov. 14, 1814. He m. second, Dec. 21, 1815, Sarah Davis. He lived in Marlborough, N. H., and Claremont, N. H. He d. Dec. 18, 1843; she d. Aug. 2, 1869. Six children by first, and six by second marriage.

iv. MARY, b. Rindge, March 15, 1776; m. April 15, 1799, William Moore, b. Jan. 10, 1774, son of David and Margaret (Taggart) Moore of Sharon, N. H. He was a lieutenant in the militia, and a town officer. He died Oct. 6, 1823. His widow died Oct. 23, 1835. Eleven children; among these, Mary Fitch Moore, b. April 20, 1807, m. March 4, 1830, Samuel Stearns, b. Aug. 27, 1802, son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Knowlton) Stearns—the honored parents of the compiler of this genealogy.

v. ALICE, b. Peterborough, April 11, 1779; blind many years; d. unm., 1859.

vi. ABIGAIL, b. Jaffrey, Feb. 26, 1782; m. 1809, Joseph Piper. Four children.

vii. JACOB, b. Jaffrey, Feb. 20, 1785; unmarried; d. Marlborough, N. H., Aug. 19, 1852.

viii. SUSAN, b. Jaffrey, Oct. 2, 1789; m. Aug. 7, 1808, David Blood. He was killed in a mill at Marlborough, N. H., May 2, 1813. She m. second, April 3, 1815, Joseph Tolman, b. March 8, 1789, son of Joseph and Martha (Clark) Tolman. She d. Hinsdale, N. H., June 29, 1875. Three children by first, and eight by second marriage.

ix. LUTHER JAQUITH, b. Jaffrey, Sept. 8, 1792; m. Nov. 4, 1822, Jane Hoyt, b. May 25, 1798. He was a man of culture, and many years a school teacher. Lived in Hopkinton, N. H., where he d. Feb. 5, 1872. She d. April 1, 1867. One child, Sarah Jane, who m. Samuel Spofford of Hopkinton.

42. JOSHUA CHASE, b. Littleton, Aug. 31, 1743, son of George Chase of Littleton, and later of Shirley, m. 1770 (intention June 2), Susannah[5] Fitch, b. Feb. 18, 1746–7, dau. of John (27). He removed to Chesterfield, N. H., and after several years returned to Shirley, where he d. March 11, 1810. She d. July 10, 1827.

Children:

i. JACOB, b. Shirley, June 30, 1771; m. 1791, Olive Wilson; m. second, Jenny Nelson.
ii. ABIGAIL, b. April 25, 1773.
iii. WILLIAM P., b. June 8, 1775; d. Chesterfield, 1778.
iv. GEORGE, b. Jan. 2, 1778; d. Chesterfield, 1778.
v. SUSANNAH, b. Oct. 17, 1780.
vi. WILLIAM P., b. June 2, 1783.
vii. LUCY, b. April 8, 1786.
viii. JOHN, b. Aug. 15, 1788.

43. SAMUEL[5] FITCH, b. Nov. 9, 1736, son of Jeremiah (28), m. May 28, 1766, Mary Blood, b. Concord, Aug. 1, 1740, dau. of Stephen and Mary Blood. He was a farmer of Acton. His wife d. about 1776, and he m. second, April 23, 1778, Abiel Walker, widow of Capt. Benjamin Walker of Chelmsford. Captain Walker was wounded and taken prisoner at the battle of Bunker Hill, and died within the enemy's line, August, 1775. Samuel Fitch d. July 21, 1809. The births of the daughters are not on record. It is probable there was a dau. Abigail, who m. 1798, James Giles, Jr., of Townsend; and a dau. Hannah, who m. Joseph Blood, but it may appear that Hannah was a daughter of Captain Walker. So far as known, there were six children by the first, and two by the second marriage.

Children, by first wife:

i. NOAH,[6] b. April 19, 1768; m. May 1, 1796, Mary Davis, dau. of Capt. Isaac Davis of Acton. He lived in Peterboro', N. H., and in Hancock, N. H. He removed in 1821 to Albany, N. Y.; and d. Springville, N. Y., about 1839. Five children.

ii. LOT, b. April 19, 1768; twin; m. in Acton, Aug. 28, 1792, Pamelia Hoar, dau. of Oliver and Silence (Houghton) Hoar. She d. Temple, N. H., Jan. 16, 1821. He m. second, Rhoda ——, who d. March 22, 1861. He lived in Temple, where he d. May 24, 1840. Eleven children; and numerous descendants.

iii. SAMUEL, b. Feb. 22, 1770, by family record; April 6, 1770, by town record. He was a reputable physician of Greenfield, N. H. He m. Eunice Perry, b. Sherborn, Mass., March 28, 1779. He d. Nov. 1, 1857. She d. Nov. 1, 1856. Four children.

iv. LUKE, b. Jan. 2, 1771. "I know not if he be living or where he is," says his brother Irad in his will.

v. MARY, b. Dec. 18, 1771; m. Dec. 29, 1795, Samuel Read, b. Chelmsford, May 15, 1774, son of Samuel and Hannah (Underwood) Read. They lived in Littleton. She d. Sept. 23, 1853. He m. second, Betsey (Fitch) Read, a half sister of the first wife. He d. July 23, 1860; she d. March 26, 1865. Six children.

vi. DANIEL, b. April 11, 1776.

Children, by second wife:

vii. BETSEY, b. 1779; m. —— Read; m. second, Samuel Read (see above).

viii. IRAD, b. July 12, 1781. Lived in Acton, and in Tyngsboro'; d. unmarried, 1838.

44. JEREMIAH[5] FITCH, b. Sept. 25, 1742, son of Jeremiah (28), was an innholder on the estate now known as Stone Croft Farm, in the village of Bedford. It was at his tavern that the minute men of Bedford were gathered and entertained, April 19, 1775. Of this military company the popular landlord was a sergeant. He m. April 19, 1770, Lydia Smith, b. Feb. 23, 1744, dau. of Jonas and Thankful (Fiske) Smith of Waltham. He d. Dec. 29, 1808; she d. Sept. 10, 1823.

Children:

i., ii., iii. ALFORD,[6] LYDIA, LYDIA, all d. young.

iv. JEREMIAH, b. May 11, 1778; m. May 10, 1801, Mary Rand, b. Dec. 14, 1776, dau. of Robert and Mary (Simpkins) Rand of Boston. He was a well known and reputable merchant of Boston, a selectman of the town (serving on the last board previous to a city charter), and a director of the Union Bank and of the Mercantile Marine Insurance Company. For an appreciative sketch, see Brown's History of Bedford, supp., p. 11. He d. July 10, 1840; she d. March 3, 1840. Of their six children, five died unmarried. The youngest child, Mary Rand, b. Aug. 30, 1813, m. April 7, 1841, John Henry Jenks, b. Bath, Me., July 6, 1810, son of Rev. William Jenks, D.D. He was a bookseller of Boston, where he d. Oct. 29, 1869; she d. June 13, 1881. To Charles W. Jenks of Bedford, and Rev. Henry F. Jenks of Canton, sons of John Henry and Mary Rand (Fitch) Jenks, the compiler is under obligation for courteous and diligent attention to many inquiries.

v. ALMON, b. Aug. 8, 1780; m. March 28, 1811, Martha Wood. Lived in Bedford. He d. Nov. 23, 1820; she d. June 22, 1852. Two children.

vi. AMOS, b. July 26, 1782; m. April 7, 1813, Martha Starr of Roxbury. Three children.

vii. JOHN, b. Feb. 6, 1785; d. Feb. 2, 1850.

viii. ALFORD, b. Aug. 2, 1786; m. June 4, 1818, Sally Reed, b. Oct. 8, 1797, dau. of Roger and Sarah (Webber) Reed. He d. June 22, 1852; she d. Aug. 23, 1820. One child, Sally Reed, b. Feb. 19, 1820.

45. Moses[5] Fitch, b. March 3, 1755, son of Jeremiah (28), m. Nov. 14, 1782, Rachel Stearns, b. Nov. 3, 1758, dau. of Capt. Edward and Lucy (Wyman) Stearns of Bedford. He was one of the Bedford company, April 19, 1775, and later of Capt. Solomon Kidder's company, Col. Brooks's regiment of Continental Line. He was wounded at White Plains, and subsequently a pensioner. He was a deacon, and a worthy citizen. He d. Oct. 12, 1825; she d. May 23, 1817.

Children:

i. Solomon,[6] b. Nov. 8, 1783; m. Jan. 7, 1808, Susannah Fuller, b. Charlestown, N. H., July 30, 1788, dau. of Benjamin and Mary (Parks) Fuller. He was a farmer, and lived in Littleton, N. H., from 1808 until he died, Nov. 18, 1870; and she d. July 30, 1870. Ten children; of these, Susan, b. June 13, 1817, was the wife of Charles R. Morrison, a lawyer, and compiler of Morrison's Digest of New Hampshire Law Reports.

ii. Lucy, b. July 7, 1785; m. June 5, 1810, John Page, b. March 3, 1781, son of Nathaniel and Sarah (Brown) Page of Bedford. Lived in Bedford, where both d. February, 1861.

iii. Moses, b. March 28, 1787; m. Dec. 6, 1810, Polly Brown, dau. of Nathaniel Bowman and Abigail (Page) Brown. He d. in Bedford, Aug. 1, 1824, leaving one son, John Moses, b. July 8, 1811, who removed to Michigan, and was successful.

iv. Elijah, b. Jan. 10, 1790; m. Mary Morse. Lived in Boston, and d. May 7, 1840.

v. Rachel, b. Nov. 30, 1791; m. Feb. 18, 1819, Joseph Brown, b. Jan. 24, 1782, son of Nathaniel Bowman and Abigail (Page) Brown. He d. Aug. 26, 1858; she d. March 26, 1868. They were the grandparents of Abram English Brown, to whom the compiler is indebted for favors received.

vi. Joel, b. June 12, 1794; m. Feb. 18, 1819, Susannah Hill, b. April 30, 1798, dau. of Josiah and Susanna (Davis) Hill. He was a farmer, and later a merchant, in Bedford, and a deacon. He d. Aug. 4, 1845; she d. Oct. 21, 1882.

vii. Nathan, b. Oct. 22, 1797; d. Feb. 9, 1800.

46. Zachariah[5] Fitch, b. April 1, 1734, was son of Zachariah (29). He is known as Capt. Zachariah Fitch of Groton, and his name is frequently met in the annals of his time. He served in the French and Indian Wars, and was a lieutenant and later a captain in the Revolution, and distinguished in civil affairs. He m. Oct. 15, 1755, Rebecca Davis, b. Aug. 2, 1736, dau. of Eleazer and Rebecca (Chandler) Davis of Concord; m. second, Aug. 4, 1763, Lydia Tuck; m. third, Feb. 3, 1767, Sibyl Lakin, b. Oct. 16, 1739, dau. of John and Lydia (Parker) Lakin of Groton, who d. Oct. 11, 1806; and he m. fourth, May 11, 1809, Elizabeth Tuttle. He d. Sept. 2, 1820; she d. Jan. 5, 1823.

Children, by first wife:

i. Rebecca[6], b. 1759; m. 1779, Benjamin Whitney, b. Pepperell, Oct. 27, 1741, son of Josiah and Abigail (Nutting) Whitney. Lived in Pepperell. She d. June 23, 1793.

ii. Abigail, b. 1761; d. unmarried, 1831.

Children, by second wife:

iii. Richard, b. Oct. 25, 1763; removed to Baldwin, Me.

iv. Joseph, b. Feb. 13, 1766; removed to Baldwin, Me.

Children, by third wife:

v. William, b. Feb. 18, 1768; m. March 8, 1792, Betsey Woods.

vi. Elizabeth, b. Dec. 30, 1769; m. Nov. 25, 1788, Samuel Farnsworth, b. Sept. 29, 1767, son of Dea. Isaac and Anna (Green) Farnsworth.

He was a physician of Bridgeton, Me. He d. Nov. 4, 1817; she d. April 6, 1844. Eight children. Of these, Samuel, b. Oct. 19, 1791, Dart. Coll. 1813, was a physician of Bridgeton; and Benjamin Franklin, b. Dec. 7, 1793, Dart. Coll. 1813, was a Baptist clergyman, and at his death, 1851, was president of Tennessee University.

vii. Sibyl, b. May 7, 1772; m. June 2, 1793, David Potter; removed to Fryeburg, Me.

viii. Zachariah, b. April 21, 1775; m. 1800, Amelia Blood, b. Jan. 23, 1776, dau. of Levi and Sarah Coburn (Fiske) Blood. He was a useful citizen, and a farmer on the paternal homestead in Groton. He d. 1848; she d. Jan. 6, 1859. Seven children. To a grand dau., Ellen Eliza Fitch of Malden, the compiler is indebted for valuable records.

ix. John, b. Sept. 20, 1777; m. Feb. 16, 1801, Susan Parker of Groton. Upon his farm a soap-stone quarry was opened about 1825.

x. Sally, b. May 18, 1780, the dark day; m. June 3, 1821, Ezra Farnsworth, b. Nov. 30, 1770, son of Ezra and Betsey (Shepley) Farnsworth of Groton. No children.

xi. Luther, b. Jan. 28, 1783; Dart. Coll. 1807. Lawyer. After a few years of professional labor in Saccarappa, now Westbrook, Me., he removed to Portland, Me., and was many years Judge of the Municipal Court. He m. June 23, 1816, Almira Titcomb, dau. of Andrew P. and Mary (Dole) Titcomb. He d. Aug. 15, 1870. Eight children.

47. Jonas[5] Fitch, b. Feb. 5, 1740–1, son of Zachariah (29), lived in Pepperell. He m. Oct. 11, 1775, Annis Shattuck, b. Pepperell, Oct. 2, 1749, dau. of Jonathan and Kezia (Farnsworth) Shattuck. He was a clock maker, and many of the timepieces by his hand are still preserved. He was drowned in Groton, June 11, 1808.

Children:

i. Annis,[6] b. July 14, 1776; m. Feb. 15, 1814, Simeon Nutting. She d. Jan. 25, 1824.

ii. Mille, b. July 9, 1779; m. Oct. 7, 1793, Thomas Blood, b. Oct. 31, 1776, son of Caleb and Elizabeth (Farnsworth) Blood. She d. in Pepperell, June 4, 1823.

iii. Jonas, b. March 23, 1783; m. Oct. 29, 1809, Thirza Jewett, dau. of Nehemiah Jewett of Pepperell. They had five children, among them Jonas, b. March 21, 1811, the architect of Fitchburg R. R. Depot, Masonic Temple, City Hall and other substantial buildings of Boston.

iv. Polly, b. Sept. 22, 1785; m. Thomas Blood, who previously m. her sister Mille.

v. Calvin, b. July 9, 1790; d. Feb. 13, 1815.

48. Ebenezer[5] Fitch, b. Aug. 5, 1751, son of Zachariah (29), was a sergeant in the Bedford company of minute men, April 19, 1775, and an ensign in Capt. Benjamin Walker's company at Bunker Hill, continuing in the service in the siege of Boston, 1775. He removed to Rindge, N. H., 1779, and is styled Lieut. Fitch in the records of the town. He m. in Lancaster, August 29, 1780, Persis Bush, b. March 8, 1759, dau. of Jotham and Hepsibah (Keyes) Bush of Shrewsbury. A few years after the Revolution, he removed to Sterling, where he d. Jan. 26, 1826. His wife d. May 27, 1816. In the following imperfect record of the children, the order of age is not known.

Children:

i. Edward Raymond,[6] m. Susannah Kilburn. Lived at Fitch Hill in Sterling. He d. Feb. 17, 1825. Five children.

ii. Ebenezer, removed to Troy, N. Y., and after a residence "West," he had a home with a son in Louisiana, where he died. His children were: John, George, Ebenezer, Timothy, Mary, Eunice and Elizabeth.

iii. HEPSIBAH, b. 1784 or '5; m. Martin Jennison, b. June 30, 1779, son of Jonathan and Rhoda (Ashley) Jennison of Walpole, N. H. She d. Jan. 10, 1824, leaving one son, Alfred, b. Oct. 2, 1805. Martin Jennison d. at Bowling Green, Ky., May 20, 1816.
iv. BUSH.
v. WILLIAM.
vi. TORREY, b. 1795; m. May 10, 1821, Harriet Thurston, b. July 27, 1797, dau. of Silas and Sarah (Kendall) Thurston of Lancaster. He was an innholder in Lancaster, where he d. Sept. 4, 1843. Two or three children d. young. Charles T. and Edwin Raymond were sons of this family.
vii. ACKLEY, b. 1797; m. Ann E. Ludlow. Lived in New York and Brooklyn; d. East New York, Oct. 27, 1871. Three children, of whom one d. young. Charles Henry resides in South Brooklyn, N. Y.
viii. STILLMAN, b. Dec. 3, 1800; m. Nov. 22, 1831, Harriette Mellen. His children were: 1. *George Edward*, b. Jan. 2, 1833; 2. *Harriette Mellen*, b. Dec. 18, 1836, d. 1855; 3. *John Bush*, b. April 1, 1841.
ix. GEORGE, b. 1803; m. 1827, Sophronia Willard Houghton, b. Oct. 25, 1806, dau. of Elijah and Ruth Houghton. He lived in Lancaster, and d. Dec. 23, 1854; she d. March 13, 1884. Six children, of whom Andrew Lucien, b. Jan. 28, 1837, m. Abbie Wheeler of Berlin, who d. 1893; m. second, Minnie G. Harrington. He resides in Sterling.
x. CYNTHIA, m. Paul Bailey of Sterling.

49. JOHN BROWN[6] FITCH, son of Timothy (33), was a merchant in Boston and Watertown. He m. in Boston, Jan. 27, 1785, Hepsibah Hall, b. June 23, 1764, dau. of Benjamin and Hepsibah (Jones) Hall of Medford. She died 1800. He m. second, Rose Linzie, who inherited property from Hannah Rowe, which was held in trust for her four children. She d. 1820; he d. Nov. 8, 1832. Five children by first, and four by second marriage.

Children, by first wife:

i. JOHN BROWN,[7] b. Dec. 11, 1785; d. Feb. 27, 1802.
ii. HEPSIBAH JONES,[8] b. June 21, 1790; m. March 18, 1821, Dudley Hall, who previously had m. her sister Mary H. He was a merchant who accumulated a large estate; he d. Nov. 2, 1768. See Hall Genealogy.
iii. MARY H., b. June 16, 1793; m. July 19, 1818, Dudley Hall, b. Oct. 14, 1780, son of Benjamin and Lucy (Tufts) Hall of Medford. She d. May 20, 1820.
iv. NANCY SHEAFE, d. unmarried, June 21, 1839.
v. BENJAMIN HALL, b. 1800; d. Jan. 4, 1803.

Children, by second wife:

vi. MARIA LINZIE, d. unmarried.
vii. EDWARD AMORY, d. Sept. 5, 1833. Lost at sea.
viii. WILLIAM DERBY, b. 1810; m. Oct. 30, 1839, Susan Mitchell Hall, b. May 7, 1808, dau. of Ebenezer and Eunice (Jones) Hall of Medford. He d. Jan. 13, 1843; no children.
ix. JOHN BROWN, m. Almira Lincoln; removed to Illinois.

50. TIMOTHY[6] FITCH, b. Nov. 20, 1757, son of Jonas (34), m. in Edgecomb, Me., Feb. 15, 1786, Abigail Webster, b. Aug. 13, 1764. He was a soldier in the Revolution. See Mass. War Rolls for prolonged service. He lived at Bristol, Me., where he d. Jan. 4, 1826 she d. Oct. 19, 1840.

Children:

i. JOHN,[7] b. Dec. 14, 1786.
ii. ABIGAIL, b. Sept. 20, 1788; m. Jan. 27, 1809, Samuel Doe of Bangor, Me.

iii. BETSEY, b. Dec. 9, 1790; m. 1810, John Goudy.
iv. TIMOTHY, b. March 17, 1793; unmarried; d. in the war of 1812.
v. HARROD, b. Nov. 29, 1796; m. 1825, Sally McFarland.
vi. SALLY, b. Dec. 26, 1799; unmarried.
vii. PRUDENCE, b. Sept. 23, 1802; m. Joseph Brown, b. Edgecomb, Me., June 26, 1807, son of Joseph and Mary (Winslow) Brown. He was lost at sea, 1856. She d. Nov. 8, 1869. Four children. Joseph and Prudence[7] (Fitch) Brown were grandparents of Gilbert Patten Brown of Boston, who has been of material assistance to the compiler.

51. DAVID[6] FITCH, b. June 28, 1777, son of David (10), owned and occupied the mill and the farm formerly of his father and his grandfather. He m. Nov. 12, 1799, Hannah Proctor, b. Feb. 7, 1779, dau. of Peter and Molly (Putnam) Proctor of Littleton. She d. Dec. 22, 1803; he m. second, Jan. 8, 1805, Olive Simonds, b. Nov. 12, 1783, dau. of Jonathan and Phebe (Cummings) Simonds of Woburn, who d. Sept. 20, 1859; he m. third, 1859, Susan (Dodge) Adams, b. May 18, 1804, dau. of David and Polly (Stevens) Dodge, and widow of Amos Adams of Billerica. He d. May 24, 1860. Two children by first, and nine by second marriage.

Children, by first wife:

i. DAVID,[7] b. Feb. 20, 1802; m. March 31, 1825, Betsey Buttrick. Lived in Bedford. He d. May 19, 1851; she d. Oct. 1, 1889. Eight children.
ii. HANNAH PROCTOR, b. Dec. 10, 1803; m. April 24, 1823, Bela Gardner, b. in Littleton, July 28, 1796, son of Abel Gardner. He was a physician in Bedford, from 1820 until his death, June 27, 1844. She d. Jan. 20, 1844. Eight children.

Children, by second wife:

iii. MARY FOWLE, b. 1805; d. Aug. 4, 1806.
iv. MARY FOWLE, b. May 29, 1807; m. Jan. 20, 1835, as his second wife, Benjamin F. Hartwell, b. June 8, 1800, son of William and Joanna (Davis) Hartwell. Lived in Bedford. He d. Dec. 14, 1884; she d. May 15, 1871. Two children.
v. ABEL, b. April 25, 1809; m. Oct. 6, 1835, Nancy Bacon, b. Nov. 8, 1810, dau. of Stephen and Mary (Porter) Bacon of Bedford. Lived in Bedford. He d. Oct. 16, 1839. Three children. She m. second, Nov. 10, 1843, Nathan Oliver Reed, whose first wife was Martha Simonds Fitch, named below. He d. April 27, 1865.
vi. NATHAN, b. Feb. 13, 1811; m. Sept. 9, 1834, Louisa Burnham. He was the last of the family in possession of the Fitch Mills. He d. March 20, 1890; she d. May 30, 1889. Three children; of these, the first born, Nathan A., b. Sept. 9, 1835, m. Dec. 1, 1859, Calista F. Tarbell, b. May 31, 1837, dau. of Reuben and Beatrice (Beard) Tarbell of Rindge, N. H. He is a provision dealer of Boston; residence Somerville; alderman 1883–4.
vii. JONATHAN SIMONDS, b. 1814; d. Jan. 25, 1819.
viii. MARTHA SIMONDS, b. May 29, 1817; m. Dec. 18, 1834, Nathan Oliver Reed, b. Feb. 6, 1812, son of Oliver and Mary (Fitch) Reed. See Thaddeus Fitch (39). Lived in Bedford. She d. March 22, 1841; he m. second, Nancy (Bacon) Fitch. See above.
ix. OLIVE, b. April 24, 1820; m. May 23, 1854, Robert A. Cook.
x. ISAAC, b. Dec. 23, 1824; d. Feb. 13, 1825.
xi. LUCY, b. Dec. 23, 1824, twin; d. May 5, 1854.

: 1859-1865, Boston Common Council, member
: 1855-1857, State of Mass, Lower House, Representative
: Designed: Fitchburg, Mass. Railroad Depot
: Designed: Boston, 1. Masonic Temple, 2. City Hall, et etceteras

Children of Jonas Fitch and Catharine Blodgett are:

420 i. Annie E.[10] Fitch.

\+ 421 ii. Charles Henry Fitch, born June 29, 1846; died September 19, 1922.

422 iii. Carrie T. Fitch.

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406. _____[10] Brown (Prudence[9] Fitch, Timothy[8], Jonas[7], Joseph (III)[6], Joseph (II)[5], Joseph (I)[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]).

Child of _____ Brown is:

423 i. Gilbert Patton Brown[11] Brown, born in Boston, Mass..

416. William Henry (Dr)[10] Fitch (John (Jr)[9], John[8], Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born June 18, 1843 in Cherry Valley, Winnebago Co., IL, and died in Rockford, IL. He married **Katherine Kountz** March 16, 1887, daughter of William J. Kountz.

Notes for William Henry (Dr) Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p220.

More About William Henry (Dr) Fitch:
Occupation: Physician, and Surgeon
: served in Civil War, 40th. Wisc. VolunteerInfantry

Children of William Fitch and Katherine Kountz are:

424 i. William K.[11] Fitch.

More About William K. Fitch:
Occupation: Mechanical Engineer

425 ii. Katherine Fitch. She married Charles S. (Lt.Col) Hamilton.

418. Edwin Peabody[10] Fitch (George[9], William[8], Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born in San Diego, CO. He married **Elizabeth Powers**.

Notes for Edwin Peabody Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p221.

More About Edwin Peabody Fitch:
Occupation: Writer and Educator
: 1904, B.A. Degree, Yankton (S.D.) College
: 1906-1909, Graduate Student, University of Wisconsin

Child of Edwin Fitch and Elizabeth Powers is:

\+ 426 i. John Andrews[11] Fitch, born April 20, 1881 in Cumberland, Barron Co., Wisc..

421. Charles Henry[10] Fitch (Jonas (III)[9], Jonas (II)[8], Jonas[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born June 29, 1846, and died September 19, 1922. He married **Harriet Wisner**.

Child of Charles Fitch and Harriet Wisner is:

427 i. Katharine B.[11] Fitch.

Notes for Katharine B. Fitch:
ref: "History of the Fitch Family", by Roscoe Conkling Fitch, Vol.I, Chapter XX, p219.

More About Katharine B. Fitch:
: occupied the Fitch ancestral estate, "The Pines", East Pepperell, Mass

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426. John Andrews[11] Fitch (Edwin Peabody[10], George[9], William[8], Zachariah (Capt.)[7], Zachariah[6], Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Zachary (Deacon)[3], Hugh[2], William[1]) was born April 20, 1881 in Cumberland, Barron Co., Wisc.. He married **Florence Lee** September 01, 1909.

Children of John Fitch and Florence Lee are:

428 i. Faith Lee[12] Fitch.
429 ii. Jean Andrews Fitch.

1 William FITCH Born: in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England
+Joane SMYTH Married: Father: _____ Smyth Mother: Joane _____
2 Hugh FITCH Born: March 14, 1563 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England d: January 14, 1620 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England 1576 will proven
+Anne SMITH Born: in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England Married: September 13, 1585 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England Father: John Fitch Mother: Joane Roise
3 Marie (Mary) FITCH Born: February 12, 1586
3 John FITCH Born: October 13, 1587
3 Jeremie FITCH Born: January 25, 1589
+Joane _____ Married: Father: Mother:
4 John FITCH
4 Jeremy FITCH
4 Zachary FITCH
4 Mary FITCH
4 Sara FITCH
4 Anne FITCH
3 [14] Zachary (Deacon) FITCH Born: January 16, 1591 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England d: June 09, 1662 in Reading, Mass. Occupation: 1620 glover Aft. February 1638 emigrated to Lynn, Mass from England Ref. #: 6105 (LofC)
+Marie _____ Married: Bef. 1622 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England Father: Mother:
4 John FITCH Born: April 08, 1621
4 [1] Jeremie FITCH Born: May 05, 1622 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England
+Ester _____ Married: Abt. 1651 in Boston, Mass d: September 14, 1656 Father: Mother:
*2nd Wife of [1] Jeremie Fitch:
+Sarah CHUBBUCK Born: 1638 in Hingham, Mass. Married: February 25, 1657 in Weymouth, Mass Father: Thomas Chubbuck Mother:
5 Jeremiah FITCH Born: February 05, 1658 d: 1658
5 Zachariah FITCH Born: February 19, 1660 d: August 13, 1661
5 Deborah FITCH Born: November 05, 1662 d: January 14, 1663
5 Sarah FITCH Born: February 21, 1663
5 Deborah FITCH Born: June 27, 1665 d: April 20, 1687
+Joseph BELKNAP Born: January 26, 1657 Married: Father: Mother:
5 Abigail FITCH Born: August 05, 1666
5 Jeremiah FITCH Born: September 01, 1667
5 Rebecca FITCH Born: February 19, 1668
+William TELMAN Married: January 21, 1702 Father: Mother:
5 Esther FITCH Born: September 29, 1670
5 Eleanor FITCH Born: August 20, 1676
*3rd Wife of [1] Jeremie Fitch:
+Mary _____ Married: Abt. 1663 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England Father: Mother:
5 Mary FITCH Born: December 30, 1663
5 Sarah FITCH Born: September 24, 1665
5 Anne FITCH Born: April 24, 1667
5 Jeremie FITCH Born: January 07, 1668
5 Martha FITCH Born: December 29, 1670
5 Elizabeth FITCH Born: May 18, 1673
5 John FITCH Born: September 05, 1675
5 Thomas FITCH Born: February 07, 1677
*4th Wife of [1] Jeremie Fitch:
+Martha (___) MESSINGER Married: September 05, 1689 d: March 14, 1703 Father: Mother:
4 Marie FITCH Born: September 07, 1623
4 Zachariah FITCH Born: June 25, 1626 d: June 20, 1647
4 Sara FITCH Born: January 20, 1632 in Reading, Mass.
+John WESTON Born: 1631 in England Married: April 18, 1653 in Reading, Mass. d: 1723 in Reading, Mass. Father: Mother:
5 John WESTON Born: August 17, 1655 in Reading, Mass. d: Aft. August 17, 1665 in Reading, Mass.
5 Sarah WESTON Born: July 15, 1656
5 Mary WESTON Born: May 25, 1659
5 John WESTON Born: March 09, 1661
+Mary BRYANT Born: 1666 Married: 1684 in Reading, Mass. Father: Mother:
5 Elizabeth WESTON Born: February 07, 1662
5 Samuel WESTON Born: April 16, 1665
5 Stephen WESTON Born: December 08, 1667
+Sarah TOWNSEND Married: in Reading, Mass. Father: Mother:
5 Thomas WESTON Born: November 20, 1670
4 Robert FITCH Born: March 04, 1634

4 Joseph FITCH Born: Abt. 1638 in New England d: 1694 in Reading, Mass.
+Hannah SWEETER Born: 1639 in Charleston, SC Married: July 02, 1661 in Reading, Mass. d: November 05, 1673 in Reading, Mass. Father: Seth Sweeter Mother: Bethiah _____
5 Hannah FITCH Born: March 03, 1661 in Reading, Mass. d: March 05, 1662 in Reading, Mass.
5 Joseph FITCH Born: February 26, 1662 in Reading, Mass. d: January 09, 1695
+Ann KIBBE Married: June 29, 1688 in Reading, Mass. Father: Mother:
6 Joseph FITCH Born: September 03, 1689 d: November 10, 1694
6 Anna FITCH Born: August 14, 1690 d: June 29, 1697
6 Zachariah FITCH Born: February 24, 1693 in Reading, Mass. d: Bef. 1746
+Abigail DAVISON Married: 1718 in Reading, Mass. Father: Daniel (Major) Davison Mother:
7 Zachariah FITCH Born: March 09, 1719
7 Mary FITCH Born: August 29, 1721 d: Aft. 1746
7 Abigail FITCH Born: September 06, 1723
7 Jacob FITCH Born: September 03, 1725
+Eleanor STAYNER Married: August 03, 1746 Father: Mother:
7 Benjamin FITCH Born: February 09, 1727
7 Anna FITCH Born: March 20, 1729 d: 1820 in Fitchburg, Mass
+Nathaniel SHELDON Married: Abt. 1749 in Reading, Mass. d: in Reading, Mass. Father: Mother:
8 15childrenNathaniel SHELDON
7 Elizabeth FITCH Born: January 31, 1731
+Samuel GORROD Married: 1760 Father: Mother:
6 [2] Joseph FITCH Born: February 04, 1695 in Reading, Mass. d: March 16, 1754 in Reading, Mass.
+Margaret CLARK Born: April 04, 1697 Married: January 15, 1718 in Boston, Mass d: August 23, 1748 Father: Mother:
*2nd Wife of [2] Joseph Fitch:
+Mehitable (Gibson) POOLE Married: April 06, 1749 in Reading, Mass. Father: Benjamin Gibson Mother: Mehitable Austin
7 Margaret FITCH Born: December 05, 1719 d: May 09, 1722
7 Joseph FITCH Born: August 21, 1721 d: October 31, 1748 in Boston, Mass
+Anne WALDO Born: July 15, 1719 Married: April 05, 1744 d: Abt. 1800 Father: Mother:
8 Prudence FITCH Born: December 16, 1744 d: October 07, 1803
+Abijah HUNT Born: August 20, 1743 Married: 1762 in Braintree, Mass. d: 1822 in Williamsburg, VA Father: Mother:
8 Ann FITCH Born: October 22, 1746
+George WHEELER Married: Father: Mother:
8 Joseph FITCH Born: December 14, 1748 d: February 08, 1748
7 Margaret FITCH Born: March 14, 1722
+William DOWNE Married: Father: Mother:
7 Prudence FITCH Born: August 18, 1724 d: August 22, 1734
7 Timothy FITCH Born: October 23, 1725
+Abigail (Hall) DONAHUE Married: August 19, 1746 in Medford, _____. Father: Mother:
8 Abigail FITCH Born: April 05, 1747 d: October 29, 1813
+Hugh TARBET Married: November 05, 1771 d: Abt. 1790 Father: Mother:
9 Hugh TARBET
9 Abigail TARBET Born: 1773
9 Fitch TARBET
9 Nancy TARBET
8 Elizabeth FITCH
+Lendall PITTS Born: 1747 Married: d: December 31, 1784 Father: Mother:
9 William PITTS
9 James Lendall PITTS
9 Elizabeth Warner PITTS
9 Margaret Gordon PITTS
8 Margaret FITCH Born: Abt. 1751
8 Hannah FITCH Born: Bef. February 1753
8 Sarah FITCH d: Bef. 1790
8 Betsey FITCH d: Bef. 1800
8 [3] John Brown FITCH d: November 08, 1832
+Rosie LINZIE Married: d: 1820 Father: Mother:
9 Maria Linzie FITCH
9 Edward Amory FITCH Born: September 05, 1833
9 John Brown FITCH d: in _____, Illinois
+Almira LINCOLN Married: Father: Mother:
*2nd Wife of [3] John Brown Fitch:

+Hepsibah HALL Born: June 23, 1764 in Medford, ____. Married: January 27, 1785 in Boston, Mass d: 1800 Father: Mother:
9 John Brown FITCH Born: December 11, 1785
9 Hepsibah Jones FITCH Born: June 21, 1790
9 Mary H. FITCH Born: June 16, 1793
9 Nancy SHEAFE
9 Benjamin Hall FITCH Born: 1800
8 Eunice FITCH
+Andrew HALL Born: February 26, 1761 Married: April 19, 1789 Father: Mother:
8 Charles Harrison FITCH
8 Hannah Brown FITCH Born: May 14, 1777
+Ezekial HERSEY Born: November 01, 1772 in Salem, Mass. Married: September 18, 1794 d: October 31, 1852 Father: Mother:
7 Thomas FITCH Born: January 12, 1726 d: February 26, 1754 in Reading, Mass.
7 Jonas FITCH Born: June 01, 1728 d: September 11, 1819
+Mary HARROD Married: April 12, 1751 in Boston, Mass d: 1768 Father: Mother:
8 Joseph FITCH Born: February 09, 1752
8 Catherine FITCH Born: Bef. January 13, 1754
8 John FITCH
8 Timothy FITCH Born: November 20, 1757 d: January 04, 1826 in Bristol, ME
+Abigail WEBSTER Born: August 13, 1764 Married: February 15, 1786 in Edgecomb, ME d: October 19, 1840 Father: Mother:
9 John FITCH Born: December 14, 1786
9 Abigail FITCH Born: September 20, 1788
9 Betsey FITCH Born: December 09, 1790
9 Timothy FITCH Born: March 17, 1793
9 Harrod FITCH Born: November 29, 1796
9 Sally FITCH Born: December 26, 1799
9 Prudence FITCH Born: September 23, 1802
8 Mary FITCH
8 Hannah FITCH
7 Jeremiah FITCH Born: November 10, 1729 d: May 26, 1730
7 Sarah FITCH Born: May 08, 1731
+Thomas DUTTON Married: September 09, 1756 in Fitchburg, Mass ?? Father: Mother:
8 Joseph Fitch DUTTON Born: June 03, 1757
8 Susannah DUTTON Born: March 07, 1759
8 John DUTTON Born: July 09, 1761
7 John FITCH Born: October 02, 1733 d: January 04, 1739
7 Prudence FITCH Born: March 05, 1734 d: 1734
7 Hannah FITCH Born: October 09, 1736
7 Jonathan FITCH Born: March 1737 d: June 21, 1738
7 Mary FITCH Born: September 10, 1739 d: February 16, 1740
5 Hannah FITCH Born: November 28, 1664
5 Benjamin FITCH Born: July 14, 1667 in Reading, Mass. d: December 14, 1739
+Mary HETT Born: in Reading, Mass. Married: March 02, 1693 in Reading, Mass. d: 1748 Father: Mother:
6 Benjamin FITCH Born: January 13, 1693 d: January 05, 1702
6 Eliphalet FITCH Born: October 29, 1695 d: January 21, 1702
6 Mary FITCH Born: May 28, 1698
+Samuel GREENWOOD Married: August 08, 1717 Father: Mother:
7 Samuel GREENWOOD
7 Benjamin GREENWOOD
6 Joseph FITCH Born: July 30, 1700 d: October 10, 1729
+Phebe GROSS Born: 1695 Married: October 01, 1729 d: April 03, 1775 Father: Samuel Gross Mother: Mary (Cutt) Penhallow
6 Ann FITCH Born: May 05, 1704 d: July 30, 1705
6 Benjamin FITCH Born: September 25, 1706 d: 1767
+Jerusha BOYLSTON Born: November 05, 1711 Married: October 28, 1731 d: Abt. 1799 Father: Zabdiel (Dr.) Boylston Mother: Jerusha Minot
7 Benjamin FITCH Born: February 18, 1732 d: Bef. 1767
7 Jerusha FITCH Born: April 13, 1734 d: Aft. 1767
7 Joseph FITCH Born: August 24, 1735 d: Aft. 1767
7 Zabdiel FITCH Born: November 29, 1736 d: Aft. 1799 in Jamacia ??
7 John FITCH Born: January 14, 1738 d: November 12, 1739
7 Eliphalet FITCH Born: November 05, 1740 d: Aft. 1799 in Kingston, Jamacia ??
7 Mary FITCH Born: September 23, 1742 d: Aft. September 1742

7 Thomas FITCH Born: 1743

4 Samuel FITCH Born: March 06, 1644 in Reading, Mass.
+Sarah LANE Married: April 23, 1673 in Reading, Mass. d: October 02, 1679 Father: Job Lane Mother: Susannah Fasset

5 [13] Samuel FITCH Born: March 04, 1673 d: April 04, 1742
+Elizabeth WALKER Born: February 13, 1677 Married: March 20, 1695 d: November 26, 1716 Father: Joseph Walker Mother: Sarah Wyman

6 Sarah FITCH Born: December 25, 1696 d: February 04, 1697

6 Sarah FITCH Born: May 04, 1698
+Richard HICKSON Born: in Stroughton, ____ Married: August 26, 1727 Father: Mother:

6 Samuel FITCH Born: February 14, 1699 d: January 09, 1775 in Westford, ____
+Joanna (Keyes) KIDDER Married: April 24, 1732 d: March 04, 1787 Father: Mother:

7 Samuel FITCH Born: August 28, 1733 d: Aft. August 1733

7 Joanna FITCH Born: January 29, 1734
+Eleazer REED Born: February 22, 1731 in Westford, ____ Married: Father: Mother:

8 11childrenEleazer REED

7 Lydia FITCH Born: March 13, 1737 d: February 13, 1801
+Francis LEIGHTON Born: 1734 Married: March 22, 1754 d: 1806 in Westford, ____ Father: Mother:

8 11childrenFrancis LEIGHTON

6 Joseph FITCH Born: October 02, 1702 d: February 07, 1769
+Sarah GRIMES Born: in Lexington, ____ Married: January 21, 1730 d: January 22, 1749 Father: Mother:

7 Sarah FITCH Born: March 25, 1732
+Josiah (CAPT,) Crosby Married: Father: Mother:

7 Joseph FITCH Born: July 14, 1734 d: September 21, 1736

7 Molley FITCH Born: October 16, 1737
+Jonathan BLODGETT Married: Father: Mother:

7 Susannah FITCH Born: July 22, 1743
+Josiah MUNROE Married: Father: Mother:

7 Joseph FITCH Born: October 02, 1746

7 Ruth FITCH Born: October 02, 1749 d: October 02, 1749

7 Thaddeus FITCH Born: March 23, 1755
+Mary MOORE Married: September 14, 1779 in Bedford, Mass Father: Mother:

8 Mary FITCH Born: December 29, 1779

8 Sarah FITCH Born: September 22, 1781

8 Joseph FITCH Born: July 10, 1797 d: December 30, 1830

6 Benjamin FITCH Born: July 30, 1703 d: July 17, 1770 in Bedford, Mass
+Miriam GRAY Born: 1713 in Andover, Mass. Married: February 28, 1732 d: August 25, 1797 Father: Solomon Gray Mother:

7 Hannah FITCH Born: June 10, 1733
+David TARBELL Born: September 25, 1726 in Billerica, ____. Married: August 01, 1751 Father: John Tarbell Mother:

7 Miriam FITCH Born: January 23, 1734
+Timothy JAQUITH Born: June 06, 1743 in Billerica, ____. Married: September 11, 1778 in Billerica, ____. Father: Mother:

8 Alice JAQUITH Born: November 30, 1779

7 Benjamin FITCH Born: January 06, 1735

7 Betty FITCH Born: Bef. June 14, 1738
+Noah WYETH Born: July 07, 1742 in Cambridge, Mass. Married: March 30, 1763 Father: Mother:

7 Lois FITCH Born: October 03, 1740
+Edward POWERS Born: in Boston, Mass Married: November 02, 1776 Father: Mother:

7 David FITCH Born: May 22, 1755 d: July 27, 1813
+Mary FOWLE Married: April 03, 1770 d: September 19, 1829 Father: Mother:

8 Polly FITCH Born: October 23, 1770

8 Lydia FITCH Born: December 07, 1772 d: January 24, 1852
+Nathaniel PAGE Born: in Bedford, Mass Married: September 10, 1801 d: August 30, 1858 Father: Mother:

9 8childrenNathaniel PAGE

8 [4] David FITCH Born: June 28, 1777 d: May 24, 1860
+Hannah PROCTOR Born: February 07, 1779 in Littleton, . Married: November 12, 1799 d: December 22, 1803 Father: Mother:

9 David FITCH Born: February 20, 1802

9 Hannah Proctor FITCH Born: December 10, 1803

*2nd Wife of [4] David Fitch:
+Olive SIMONDS Born: November 12, 1783 Married: January 08, 1805 d: September 20, 1859 Father: Mother:

9 Mary Fowle FITCH Born: 1805
9 Mary Fowle FITCH Born: May 29, 1807
9 Abel FITCH Born: April 25, 1809
9 Nathan FITCH Born: February 13, 1811
9 Jonahan Simonds FITCH Born: 1814
9 Martha Simonds FITCH Born: May 29, 1817
9 Olive FITCH Born: April 24, 1820
9 Isaac FITCH Born: December 23, 1824 d: February 13, 1825
9 Lucy FITCH Born: December 23, 1824 d: May 05, 1854
8 Isaac FITCH Born: January 15, 1782 d: February 05, 1797
7 Lydia FITCH Born: March 21, 1744 d: March 11, 1759
7 Eunice FITCH Born: July 26, 1747
+Daniell MCNICHOL Born: in Rutland, ____. Married: September 29, 1778 Father: Mother:
7 Nathan FITCH Born: January 27, 1748 d: May 13, 1755
7 Isaac FITCH Born: May 18, 1752 d: July 24, 1773
7 Abel FITCH Born: Abt. 1755 d: Aft. 1769
6 [7] John FITCH Born: February 12, 1707 d: April 08, 1795 in Ashby, NH Occupation: Fitchburg, Mass. named in his honor
+Susannah GATES Born: in Stow, ____ Married: Abt. 1733 d: December 24, 1748 in homeward journey fr. capitivity in Canada Father: Mother:
7 Catherine FITCH Born: April 28, 1735
7 John FITCH Born: May 16, 1737
7 Paul FITCH Born: January 04, 1741 d: May 02, 1818 in Marlborough, NH
+Mary JAQUITH Born: in Billerica Married: 1767 d: February 18, 1800 in Jaffrey, NH Father: Mother:
8 Hannah FITCH Born: June 23, 1768 in Ashby, ____. d: September 18, 1854 in Jaffrey, NH
+John MOORE Born: in Sharon, NH Married: January 20, 1768 d: December 20, 1840 Father: Mother:
8 John FITCH Born: October 11, 1770 in Lancaster, d: 1841 in Cleveland, Ohio
8 [5] Paul FITCH Born: June 21, 1773 in Lancaster, d: December 18, 1843
+Sarah WALKER Born: in Rindge, NH Married: November 25, 1802 Father: Mother:
9 6childrenPaul FITCH
*2nd Wife of [5] Paul Fitch:
+Sarah DAVIS Married: December 21, 1815 Father: Mother:
9 6childrenPaul FITCH
8 Mary FITCH Born: March 15, 1776 in Rindge, NH d: October 23, 1835
+William MOORE Born: January 10, 1774 Married: d: October 06, 1823 Father: Mother:
9 Mary Fitch MOORE Born: April 20, 1807
+Samuel STEARNS Born: August 27, 1802 Married: Father: Daniel Stearns Mother: Elizabeth Knowlton
9 10childrenWilliam MOORE
8 Alice FITCH Born: April 11, 1779 in Peterborough, ____. d: 1859 Occupation: blind for many years - - unm.
8 Abigail FITCH Born: February 26, 1782 in Jaffrey, NH
+Joseph PIPER Married: 1809 Father: Mother:
9 4childrenJoseph PIPER
8 Jacob FITCH Born: February 20, 1785 in Jaffrey, NH d: August 19, 1852 in Marlborough, NH
8 [6] Susan FITCH Born: October 02, 1789 in Jaffrey, NH d: June 29, 1875 in Hinsdale, NH
+David BLOOD Married: August 07, 1808 d: May 02, 1813 in Marlborough, NH Father: Mother:
9 3childrenDavid BLOOD
*2nd Husband of [6] Susan Fitch:
+Joseph TOLMAN Born: March 08, 1789 Married: March 03, 1815 Father: Mother:
9 8childrenJoseph TOLMAN
8 Luther Jaquith FITCH Born: September 08, 1792 in Jaffrey, NH d: February 05, 1872 in Hopkinton, NH
+Jane HOYT Born: May 25, 1798 Married: November 04, 1822 d: April 01, 1867 in Hopkinton, NH Father: Mother:
9 Sarah Jane FITCH
7 Jacob FITCH Born: June 29, 1744 d: in Clarendon, Vt. Occupation: 1748 carried to Canada, on back of Indian
7 Susannah FITCH Born: February 18, 1746
+Joshua CHASE Married: Father: Mother:
*2nd Wife of [7] John Fitch:
+Elizabeth (Bowers) PIERCE Married: February 14, 1750 d: February 20, 1780 in Harvard, ____. Father: Mother:
7 Molley FITCH Born: November 23, 1752
+Thomas HUTCHINSON Married: March 15, 1771 in Rindge, ____ Father: Mother:
8 Betty HUTCHINSON Born: October 05, 1771 in Rindge, ____

7 Sarah FITCH Born: June 11, 1755

6 Jeremiah FITCH d: Bef. 1803
+Elizabeth LANE Born: October 14, 1716 Married: February 03, 1735 d: September 12, 1803 Father: John Lane Mother:
7 [8] Samuel FITCH Born: November 09, 1736 d: July 21, 1809 in Acton,
+Mary BLOOD Born: August 01, 1740 in Concord, NH Married: May 28, 1766 d: Abt. 1776 in Acton, Father: Stephen Blood Mother:
8 Noah FITCH Born: April 19, 1768
8 Lot FITCH Born: April 19, 1768
8 Samuel FITCH Born: February 22, 1779
8 Luke FITCH Born: January 02, 1771
8 Mary FITCH Born: December 08, 1774 d: September 23, 1853
+[10] Samuel READ Born: May 15, 1774 in Chelmsford, . Married: December 29, 1795 d: July 23, 1860 Father: Mother:
8 Daniel FITCH Born: April 11, 1776
*2nd Wife of [8] Samuel Fitch:
+Abiel ( ) WALKER Married: April 23, 1778 Father: Mother:
8 [9] Betsey FITCH Born: 1779
+_____ READ Married: Father: Mother:
*2nd Husband of [9] Betsey Fitch:
+[10] Samuel READ Born: May 15, 1774 in Chelmsford, . Married: d: July 23, 1860 Father: Mother:
8 Irad FITCH Born: July 12, 1781 d: 1838
7 Elizabeth FITCH Born: December 24, 1738 d: October 06, 1750
7 Jeremiah FITCH Born: September 25, 1742 in Bedford, Mass d: December 29, 1808
+Lydia SMITH Born: February 23, 1744 in Waltham, Mass. Married: April 19, 1770 d: September 10, 1823 Father: Kames Smith Mother: Thankful Fiske
8 Alford FITCH Born: August 02, 1786
8 Lydia FITCH
8 Jeremiah FITCH Born: May 14, 1778 d: July 10, 1840
+Mary RAND Born: December 14, 1776 Married: May 10, 1801 in Boston, Mass d: March 03, 1840 Father: Mother:
8 Almon FITCH Born: August 08, 1780
8 Amos FITCH Born: July 26, 1782
8 John FITCH Born: February 06, 1785
7 John FITCH Born: August 14, 1745 in Bedford, Mass d: May 31, 1820
7 Matthew FITCH Born: August 14, 1745 d: August 03, 1811 in Bedford, Mass
+Lydia LANE Born: August 13, 1749 Married: Father: Job Lane Mother: Susannah Fasset
7 Joanna FITCH Born: February 29, 1748
+Benjamin TIDD Born: June 21, 1742 in Lexington, Mass Married: January 06, 1774 d: March 28, 1814 in New Braintree, Mass. Father: Joseph Tidd Mother: Dorothy Stickney
7 Patty FITCH Born: July 14, 1750 d: Aft. 1793
7 Elizabeth FITCH Born: August 07, 1752 d: March 01, 1825
7 Moses (Dea.) FITCH Born: March 03, 1755 d: October 12, 1825
+Rachel STEARNS Born: November 03, 1758 in Bedford, Mass Married: November 14, 1782 d: May 23, 1817 Father: Edward (Capt.) Stearns Mother: Lucy Wyman
8 Solomon FITCH Born: November 08, 1783
8 Lucy FITCH Born: July 07, 1785
8 Moses FITCH Born: March 28, 1787
8 Elijah FITCH Born: January 10, 1790
8 Rachel FITCH Born: November 30, 1791
8 Joel FITCH Born: June 12, 1794
8 Nathan FITCH Born: October 22, 1797

6 Zachariah FITCH Born: February 13, 1712 d: December 08, 1800 in Bedford, Mass
+Elizabeth GRIMES Born: 1717 in Lexington, Mass Married: October 01, 1733 d: March 12, 1790 in Bedford, Mass Father: William Grimes Mother:
7 [11] Zachariah (Capt.) FITCH Born: April 01, 1734 d: September 02, 1820
+Rebecca DAVIS Born: August 02, 1736 Married: October 15, 1755 Father: Mother:
8 Rebecca FITCH Born: 1759
8 Abigail FITCH Born: 1761
*2nd Wife of [11] Zachariah (Capt.) Fitch:
+Lydia TUCK Married: August 04, 1763 Father: Mother:
8 Richard FITCH Born: October 25, 1763
8 Joseph FITCH Born: February 13, 1766
*3rd Wife of [11] Zachariah (Capt.) Fitch:

+Sibyl LAKIN Born: October 16, 1739 Married: February 03, 1767 d: October 11, 1806 in Groton, ____ Father: Mother:
8 William FITCH Born: February 18, 1768
8 Elizabeth FITCH Born: December 30, 1769
8 Sibyl FITCH Born: May 07, 1772
8 Zachariah FITCH Born: April 21, 1775
8 John FITCH Born: September 20, 1777
8 Sally FITCH Born: May 18, 1780
8 Luther FITCH Born: January 28, 1783
*4th Wife of [11] Zachariah (Capt.) Fitch:
+Elizabeth TUTTLE Married: May 11, 1809 d: January 05, 1823 Father: Mother:
7 William FITCH Born: February 19, 1735 Occupation: Soldier-died in French & Indian War
7 Elizabeth FITCH Born: January 06, 1738 d: September 29, 1796 in Bedford, Mass
+Samuel LANE Married: December 08, 1763 d: June 26, 1802 in Bedford, Mass Father: John Lane Mother: Hannah Abbott
8 4childrenSamuel LANE
7 Jonas FITCH Born: February 05, 1740 d: June 11, 1808 in Groton, ____
+Anna SHATTUCK Born: October 02, 1749 in Pepperell, . Married: October 11, 1775 Father: Mother:
8 Annis FITCH Born: July 14, 1776
8 Millie FITCH Born: July 09, 1779
8 Jonas FITCH Born: March 23, 1783
8 Polly FITCH Born: September 22, 1785
8 Calvin FITCH Born: July 09, 1790
7 Ebenezer FITCH Born: September 04, 1743 d: September 06, 1749
7 Esther FITCH Born: September 12, 1745 d: September 23, 1749
7 Lucy FITCH d: September 11, 1749
7 Esther FITCH Born: October 13, 1749
+Nehemiah LAWRENCE Born: January 14, 1752 Married: October 25, 1774 d: July 13, 1786 in Groton, ____ Father: Amos Lawrence Mother: Abigail Abbott
8 4dauNehemiah LAWRENCE
7 Ebenezer (Lt.) FITCH Born: August 05, 1751 d: January 26, 1826 in Sterling, .
+Persis BUSH Born: in Shrewsbury, . Married: March 08, 1759 in Lancaster, d: May 27, 1816 Father: Mother:
8 Edward Raymond FITCH
8 Ebenezer FITCH
8 Hepsibah FITCH Born: 1784
8 Bush FITCH
8 William FITCH
8 Torrey FITCH Born: 1795
8 Ackley FITCH Born: 1797
8 Stillman FITCH Born: December 03, 1800
8 George FITCH Born: 1803
8 Cynthia FITCH
7 [12] Lucy FITCH Born: July 06, 1753 d: July 10, 1822
+Joseph HILL Born: August 28, 1749 in Billerica Married: d: August 06, 1789 Father: Joseph Hill Mother:
*2nd Husband of [12] Lucy Fitch:
+Peter HILL Born: March 09, 1747 Married: November 07, 1793 Father: Peter Hill Mother:
7 Sarah FITCH Born: January 02, 1755 d: April 15, 1826 in Groton, ____
+Samuel (Lt.) HEMENWAY Born: 1748 in Groton, ____ Married: April 26, 1774 Father: Phineas (Rev.) Hemenway Mother:
8 Samuel Dr.) FITCH
7 Phebe FITCH Born: November 25, 1756 d: March 25, 1841 in Bedford, Mass
+John SPRAGUE Born: April 26, 1759 in Billerica Married: April 26, 1784 in Bedford, Mass d: March 06, 1810 in Bedford, Mass Father: Nicholas Sprague Mother: Sarah Walker
8 7childrenJohn SPRAGUE
7 Alice FITCH Born: November 10, 1759 d: March 16, 1829 in Belgrade, Me
+Henry (Capt.) WOODS Born: December 11, 1757 Married: d: September 02, 1813 in near Sackett's Harbor, NY Father: Henry (Gen.) Woods Mother: Deborah Parker
8 10ChildrenHenry (Capt) WOODS
7 Daniel FITCH Born: February 21, 1764 d: October 12, 1843 in Eaton, NH

*2nd Wife of [13] Samuel Fitch:
+Eunice TAYLOR Born: December 22, 1678 in Concord, Mass Married: 1717 d: August 27, 1767 Father: Mother:
6 Elizabeth FITCH Born: September 22, 1718
+Joseph MEAD Born: 1712 in Bedford, Mass Married: December 11, 1735 Father: Stephen Mead Mother: Ruth Taylor

5 Zachariah FITCH Born: February 25, 1674 d: March 08, 1674
5 Job FITCH Born: October 27, 1676 d: November 07, 1676
5 Sarah FITCH d: October 02, 1679
5 Sarah FITCH Born: July 27, 1679 d: May 21, 1680
*2nd Wife of [14] Zachary (Deacon) Fitch:
+Mary _____ Married: Abt. 1628 Father: Mother:
4 Thomas FITCH Born: October 26, 1628 in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England d: Abt. 1678
+Mary FISK Born: in St. Albans, Hertford Co., England Married: Abt. 1654 in England Father: Mother:
5 Martha FITCH Born: November 09, 1656
5 Mary FITCH
+Thomas HUNT Married: Father: Mother:
5 Elizabeth FITCH Born: 1659
5 Sarah FITCH Born: June 14, 1661
+Thomas WARREN Married: Father: Mother:
5 Elizabeth FITCH Born: August 02, 1664
5 Thomas (Hon.) FITCH Born: February 05, 1668 in Boston, Mass d: June 23, 1736
+Abiel DANFORTH Married: April 12, 1694 d: Bef. December 12, 1745 Father: Samuel (Rev.) Danforth Mother: Mary Wilson
6 Mary FITCH Born: April 21, 1695 d: March 11, 1696
6 Thomas FITCH Born: September 21, 1697 d: December 08, 1713
6 Samuel FITCH Born: August 31, 1703 d: September 10, 1703
6 Martha FITCH Born: September 25, 1704
+John ALLEN Married: July 29, 1725 Father: Mother:
6 Mary FITCH Born: August 28, 1706
+Andrew (Hon.) OLIVER Married: Father: Mother:
6 John FITCH Born: October 19, 1709
+Martha STODDARD Married: March 30, 1732 Father: Andrew Stoddard Mother: Martha Belcher
4 [15] Benjamin FITCH Born: December 21, 1630 d: March 12, 1712
+Mary _____ Married: Father: Mother:
*2nd Wife of [15] Benjamin Fitch:
+Elizabeth SKERRY Married: February 27, 1665 d: August 17, 1697 Father: Mother:
5 Zachariah FITCH Born: November 24, 1666 d: April 16, 1684
5 Bridget FITCH Born: November 01, 1669
+Jonathan POOLE Married: Father: Mother:
5 Elizabeth FITCH Born: March 27, 1671
+John BROWN Married: Father: Mother:
5 Mary FITCH Born: April 02, 1678
+Thomas BRYANT Married: Father: Mother:
3 Anne FITCH Born: January 06, 1593 Buried: April 26, 1608

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Descendant of Zachery Fitch, Boston

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A River Town Is Born

Businesslike chatter and the drone of men's voices filled the "long room" of the Captain Joshua Hutchins Tavern where Lunenburg settlers had gathered for town meeting. The old tavern where James Reed made his decision to go off to the French and Indian War had been the scene of many a hot discussion. Now, in the spring of 1761, there was the prospect of another quarrel.

Silence fell and the backs of Lunenburg settlers stiffened as Captain Samuel Hunt rose to speak. Captain Hunt, an innkeeper in the westerly part of town, knew that what he was going to say would not find favor with townsfolk in the center. It took courage to read the petition of "sundry inhabitants" of the westerly part of Lunenburg, praying for their district to be set off as a separate township.[1]

This was not the first time Hunt had approached the town with a petition in hand. During the French and Indian War, back in March, 1757, the innkeeper had led the first attempt of the westerly part of Lunenburg to break away from the parent town.[2] At that time the petition was referred to a disapproving committee in which only Amos Kimball had the interest of the westerly settlers at heart. At the May meeting the petition was laid on the table until September, and at the September meeting there was no report and the matter died.

With the support of returning Provincials Captain Hunt hoped for better luck this time. As soon as he finished reading, the arguments began. Westerly settlers voiced their objections to traveling on horseback or on foot the long distance to reach Lunenburg center. Getting to town meeting, they claimed, was a hardship. The journey up hill and down and across brooks to attend Sabbath worship was "rough on womenfolk."

As one of its foremost promoters, it is more than likely that John Fitch stood up to approve the petition. He had seven children to provide for and little time to travel eight and one-half miles from his home on the northern boundary to reach Lunenburg—a round trip that took the best part of a day. John Fitch had prospered and now that his home was licensed as an inn, his duties as host to travelers along the Northfield road demanded his attention.

Lunenburg town fathers listened and shook their heads. They reminded the westerly settlers of the funds that had been expended to lay out their roads. Maintaining two separate townships, in their opinion, would run into money. The proposal was so much nonsense. Again Samuel Hunt was rebuffed. The movement was defeated and there the matter rested.

Westerly settlers stubbornly clung to their ambition to run their own affairs. Two years later Amos Kimball, Deacon Benjamin Foster and Deacon Samuel Putnam petitioned Lunenburg to be set off "a district precinct by themselves." Again the town refused to act.

Undaunted and determined to have their way the settlers sent Nathaniel Ropes to Boston to petition the legislature.[3] Headed by Amos Kimball and Ephraim Whitney, the petition included the names of forty other inhabitants. The legislature paid little attention to the petition and it was dismissed.

The petitioners refused to accept defeat. At a town meeting in the new Lunenburg meetinghouse on January 25, 1764, they appealed to the town once more. Lunenburg taxpayers must have sighed as they saw the stubborn faces of John Fitch, Amos Kimball and Samuel Hunt. As Hunt drew from his pocket the familiar sheets of the same old petition, they probably thought wearily . . . might as well let them have their way.

After disposing of a few items of business, the town fathers, their resistance worn down, voted that the "Request . . . that lands in said Lunenburg westerly of the line . . . be granted as set forth in the Warrent." Cannily the voters added the proviso that the "Inhabitants on said Land shall pay their Ministers Tax as heretofore they have done until they shall be formed Into a Town."[4]

After seven years of petitioning the westerly settlers at last had won the right to form a separate township. As soon as this major decision was reached, the meeting promptly adjourned to the Joshua Hutchins tavern where doubtless inhabitants of both sections set aside their differences while they refreshed themselves with New England rum.

Opponents of the setting off prophesied the new town would not prosper financially because of the "pestiferous little stream," the Nashua.

Incorporation

The committee chosen to procure an act of in-

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"We'll Take a Cup of Kindness Yet"

An expectant murmur stirred the crowd at Fitchburg's City Hall the evening of January 25, 1890 as the first lively strains of a bagpipe pierced the air. Kilts swirled and feet flashed in step as attentive Fitchburgers watched seventy Scottish couples promenade in the Grand March led by champion Duncan McLean blowing his bagpipe. Gentlemen in knee-length tartans proudly escorted bonnie ladies in long flowing white dresses draped with plaid shoulder sashes. The annual celebration of the birthday of poet Robert Burns was the most popular holiday of the year for the Scots.

Clan Leslie Pipe Band. Standing left to right: Peter Smith, Alexander Paul, Alexander Wilson, William Logan. Seated: Carl Ferguson, James Logan (the only member still living). Collection of the late Dr. Edward A. Adams.

While Fitchburgers were never known to entertain exceptional respect for the muse, they did enjoy a spectacle. As many as 1500 would crowd into city hall to applaud their Scottish neighbors as they danced the spirited Highland Fling, recited "Tam O'Shanter" and sang beloved tunes such as "Flow Gently Sweet Afton" and "Annie Laurie." The program was long—twenty-seven numbers—but this did not deter the audience from insisting on seven encores that kept the party going until a late hour. Fitchburg appreciated its Scottish residents.

A Cool Welcome

By the 1890's the Scots had been settled in Fitchburg for more than a decade. Their pleasant relations with townsfolk were in marked contrast to the hostility encountered by Scotch-Irish immigrants when they first arrived in this country. Descendants of early Scottish settlers in North Ireland, the Scotch-Irish had clung to their religion as well as their nationality. As near as Worcester a group of Scotch-Irish Presbyterians from Ulster settled in 1718 and began building a place of worship. Apparently the Presbyterian religion did not find favor among the not-so-tolerant Bay Staters for in the dark of the night the meetinghouse was destroyed. The discouraged Scots removed to New Hampshire. After this cool reception in Worcester and elsewhere in New England the Scotch-Irish tended to emigrate to Pennsylvania that offered more religious freedom.

On the Frontier

Yet the Scotch-Irish were welcomed on the Indian-harassed frontier where a man's nationality was not questioned as much as the strength of his arm and the accuracy of his aim with a gun. Before John

Fitch built his lonely garrison on the edge of town, a Scotch-Irishman, thirty-year-old John Scott, cleared land in the wilderness that was Turkey Hills in 1732. Within a few years he built a home for his family of seven children on what was later known as Scott Road. When an eighth child was on the way John knew he must join Captain James Reed in order to protect the settlement. In 1756 John Scott lost his life in the French and Indian War. Other Scotch-Irish young men from Lunenburg died in the fighting and were forgotten as their families removed to other towns.

Another Scotch-Irish fighter in the French and Indian Wars survived to tell tall tales of his exploits. In nearby Holden young Thomas Cowdin entered His Majesty's service before settling down in Fitchburg. His family had a distinguished ancestry. Thomas Cowdin's grandfather, Thomas Cowden, was a member of an ancient family whose coat-of-arms indicated kinship with royalty. Cowden moved from Scotland to Ireland about 1688 where his son James, a lawyer, married Janet Craige from an old Scottish family. In 1728 James and Janet with their children sailed for America, landing in Boston. A few years later they moved to North Worcester where the Scotch had been so miserably treated. James was among the petitioners to the general court asking that North Worcester be set off as a separate township. The act was passed and the town named Holden. The Cowdins of Fitchburg always signed their name Cowdin, rather than Cowden, the old family name.

In frontier days Scotsmen from the Highlands or Lowlands of the old country were far less numerous than the Scotch-Irish. But now and then a Scots family did appear. James and Janet Litch with their son, James Jr., natives of Scotland, settled in Lunenburg in 1732. In contrast to the treatment of the Scotch-Irish in North Worcester, the Litch family was welcomed and quickly found a respected place in the community. James Litch was elected surveyor of highways, constable, and to other posts of local authority. In later years the Litch homestead on Williams Road was kept as a tavern by Phineas Sawyer and then by Daniel Putnam.

Brother against Brother

At the time of the French and Indian wars there was not a significant number of Scotsmen in the colonies. The number had increased at the beginning of the Revolution. Immigrants from the Highlands of Scotland had arrived in groups and settled in colonies in New York and in Georgia. A depression in the 1770's in the old country goaded some Lowlanders to emigrate. During the Revolution Scotsmer

the men could not leave their posts either to eat or sleep. Time and again the Indians sought to set fire to the fort with flaming arrows and a cart filled with hay and bark.

In his report of the battle to Governor Shirley, Captain Stevens wrote:

> The wind being very high and everything exceedingly dry, they set fire to all the old fences and also to the log house about forty rods from the fort to the windward, so that in a few minutes we were entirely surrounded by fire—all which was performed with the most hideous shouting from all quarters which they continued in the most terrible manner till the next day at 10 o'clock at night, without intermission; and during that time we had no opportunity to eat or sleep.[8]

The French commander called for surrender which the New Englanders refused. Powder and shot were almost gone in the fort and the men were exhausted. Suddenly they realized the firing had ceased. Low on supplies, the hungry French decided retreat was the better part of valor. An army of farmers in a crude log fort in the wilderness had turned back the French. When news of the victory reached Boston, bells rang out and settlers in the Lunenburg area dared to breathe again.

Indian Raids

Although French forces never succeeded in pushing southward as far as Lunenburg, small bands of St. Francis Indians were a constant danger. The bounty for scalps of English settlers was a strong inducement. During the summer of 1748 the threat of Indians became acute in the valley of the Nashu Warriors passing through the westerly part Lunenburg had an eye out for settlers whom th might capture and march to Canada. A line of t block houses from Westminster to Lunenburg ma a continuous but inadequate line of defense wi not enough soldiers.[9] Colonel Samuel Willard Lancaster, in charge of protecting the area of t western frontier, assigned four soldiers to the Jol Fitch garrison.[10]

Site of first home of John Fitch in Lunenburg.

Fitch Garrison

The Fitch garrison was the farthest outpost the little settlement of Lunenburg. As a young m of twenty-four John Fitch had come to Lunenbu from Bradford in 1732. He first bought a hou from David Farnsworth on Lancaster Road abo two miles south of Lunenburg center. After buyi 120 acres on the northern boundary from Capta Ephraim Wetherbee, he built a garrison at t junction of roads to Northfield and Peterboro a moved his family to the frontier in 1739. Nine yea later the move proved a costly one.

During that uneasy summer of 1748, for seve days in July Indians hovered in the thick woods the west of Lunenburg village. On Sunday th spied on armed settlers heading for the meeti house in the center. When a scout reported "pa faces thick as leaves in the forest," they decid not to risk an encounter.[11] Retreating to the w the war party killed an ox and camped in a fi near the John Scott cabin.

Attack on Fitch Garrison

Two days later at 11 o'clock on the morning Tuesday, July 5, a party of about eighty India and a few Frenchmen swooped down on the Jo Fitch garrison.[12]

On the day of the attack two of the soldi assigned to this outpost were absent. The other t from the garrison, Joseph Jennings and Zacch Blodgett, were out with John Fitch hunting game. Susannah, wife of John Fitch, was fetchi water from the spring. The Indians came Zaccheus Blodgett, shot and killed him. Susan heard the shot, dropped her pail and bonnet and r to the garrison for shelter.

Fitch and Jennings managed to reach garrison and tried to defend it. In the hot fi Jennings was killed and John Fitch was left to h out alone. Susannah loaded the gun while Jo fought stubbornly for an hour and a half. It wa losing struggle. There was nothing to do but give

Out of the garrison trooped the Fitch family

John; his wife Susannah; their oldest daughter Catherine, fifteen; John, eleven; Paul, six; Jacob, four; and baby Susannah, sixteen months.

The triumphant red men burned the garrison to the ground, killed the cattle and led the Fitch family off on foot on the long march to Canada. Little Jacob was bound to the back of an Indian so tightly his legs were crippled for life.

On the cruel trip the family suffered from hunger and exposure sleeping on the bare ground without cover. Susannah tried to keep the younger children alive by feeding them from her breast. She was never to see Lunenburg again.

Before sundown news of the attack reached Lunenburg and settlers arrived at the smoking ruins of the Fitch garrison. Finding the two dead soldiers and Susannah's bonnet and pail, they concluded the Fitch family had been taken captive. There was nothing to do but return home and await orders from Colonel Willard.

Amos Kimball

Encouraged by their success at the John Fitch garrison, small bands of Indians remained in the area, lurking in the woods and watching for a chance to take more captives. A day or so after the raid, the Indians surprised one of the most recent settlers.

Amos Kimball and his cousin Ephraim, both of Bradford, had settled in the westerly part of Lunenburg about 1745. One day when Amos was hoeing in his field, south of the Nashua river, he saw an Indian hidden in the bushes pointing a gun at him. The quick-thinking Amos continued his hoeing, gradually edging away until he reached a safe distance. Then he ran for his life. The Indian's bullet lodged in a tree above his intended victim's head and Amos Kimball lived to be a founder of Fitchburg industry.[13]

David Goodbridge

Another party of Indians tried to ambush David Goodridge on horseback in search of a cow that had wandered up the hill on the south side of the river beyond the farm of Amos Kimball. David spurred his horse to action and the downhill leaps were said to measure eighteen feet. The Indians fired but missed their speeding target. In the flight David lost his hat. A decade later the tricorn turned up on an Indian taken captive near the Connecticut River.[14]

Scouting Party

A few days after the raid on the Fitch garrison, Colonel Willard ordered a scouting detail and called for volunteers among the settlers.

Lunenburg settlers responded to the call. David Page's brother Jonathan; Paul Wetherbee, brother of Captain Ephraim; Samuel Johnson, innkeeper; Isaac Gibson; Samuel Poole; David Goodridge; Amos and Ephraim Kimball joined the scouting party. For the next two months the scouting party strengthened the line of defense and made excursions into the deserted settlements beyond Lunenburg hunting for Indian raiders.[15]

Peace

By fall King George's War ended, terminated by the peace treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle. To the disgust of New Englanders who had fought so hard at Louisburg, England restored the fort to France by terms of the treaty. It became apparent to the colonists that England did not have their interests at heart, for once more their commerce and fishing were at the mercy of the French. Some colonists even suspected that England allowed harassment of the colonies during the war in order that they might feel their dependence on the mother country.

This opinion was expressed by a visiting Swedish traveler of the period. Peter Kalm commented prophetically on the friction:

> For the English colonies in this part of the world have encreased so much in their number of inhabitants, and in their riches, that they almost vie with Old England. Now in order to keep up the authority and trade of their mother country, and to answer several other purposes, they are forbid to establish new manufactures, which would turn to the disadvantage of the British commerce: they are not allowed to dig for any gold or silver, unless they send them to England

immediately: they have not the liberty of trading to any parts that do not belong to the British dominions, excepting some settled places, and foreign traders are not allowed to send their ships to them. These and some other restrictions, occasion the inhabitants of the English colonies to grow less tender for their mother country.[16]

John Fitch

In the exchange of prisoners from Canada, John Fitch and his family were released from captivity returning by boat down the Hudson River and through the Sound to Rhode Island. In Providence Susannah Fitch died, worn out by her sufferings.[17]

John Fitch returned to Lunenburg and started over again. All his cattle, his tools, his gun and his home gone, he petitioned the General Court for help "under very pitiable Circumstances."[18] The court allowed him eight pounds "in consideration of his Sufferings . . . to Enable him to Resettle himself and his Family on His Plantation."[19]

Near the site of his ruined garrison in the northern area he built a frame house. To this house he brought a second wife, Elizabeth (Bowers) Pierce, a widow of Groton, to look after his five motherless children.[20] He supported his family by

carpentering, buying and selling land. Early settlers did not look back.

Now the war was over, more settlers began pushing up into the frontier seeking land on which they could build homes and raise families in peace and security. The untamed wilderness that David Page first settled began to wear the look of habitation. Pioneer families cut their way into new clearings which they struggled to hold. Chimney smoke rose into the sky from about thirty homes scattered over the hills of the westerly part of Lunenburg. Looking to the future, the settlers dreamed of capturing the power of the Nashua.

some united plan for common defense. At a meeting held in Albany, representatives of New England, New York, Pennsylvania and Maryland failed to act together. Each colony was forced to raise its own troops, transport its own provisions and appoint its own commanders.

Massachusetts Bay Colony had to raise a new army for practically every campaign. Men could not be required to serve for more than one year. Some Colonists fought in one campaign and then returned home while others remained throughout the war. A few were pressed into service. Officers traveling from town to town stopped in the westerly part of Lunenburg to recruit men from Captain Samuel Hunt's company of local militia.[6]

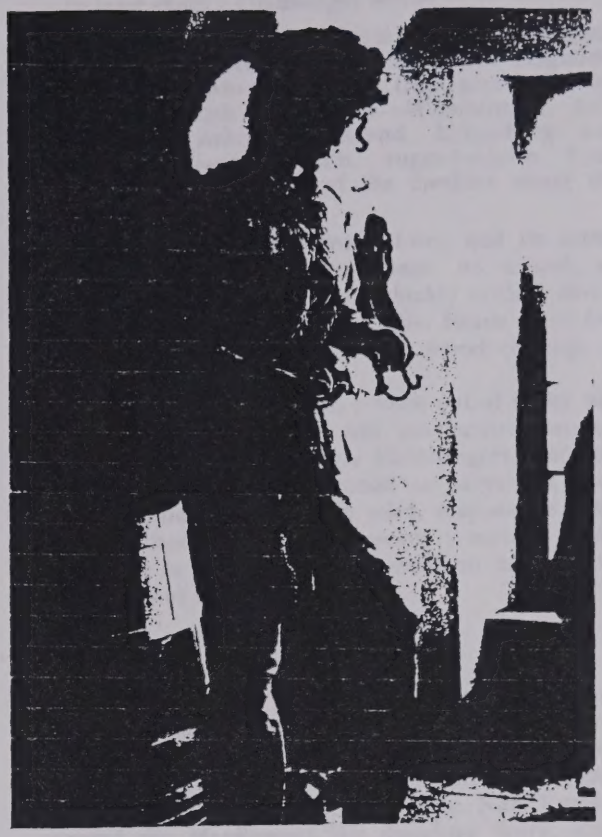
Sons of early settlers responded to the call for Provincials. Bradstreet Spofford, Nehemiah Steward, Phineas and William Osborn left their homes. Young Samuel Hodgkins, tender, left the Kimball mills. John Fitch on the northern boundary joined up to serve under Lieutenant Lawrence of Groton. Fathers accompanied their sons. The Irish-born John Scott, one of the earliest settlers in the westerly part, his sons Edward and Benjamin, shouldered flintlocks.[7] In Lunenburg center young Benoni Wallis left his bride Rebecca Brown and with William Stearns joined the recruits. Continual enlistments in succeeding months and years drained the small settlement of man power.[8]

These farmers and their sons were not soldiers trained in the arts of warfare. They had no uniforms or scarlet coats such as the British regulars took pride in. The Provincials wore their own buckskin breeches and homespun shirts and carried their own firelocks with powder horns slung at their sides. Hatchets in their belts served as bayonets. The army issued a blanket to each man and a gill of rum daily. Each soldier was due a weekly wage of five shillings but often had to manage without any pay at all.

The British regular and the undisciplined Provincial eyed each other with mutual disdain. The British had brought with them a royal order that Provincials were not to receive as high commissions as the regular army. The Provincials smarted under this condescension and loudly protested the ruling.

The unruly Provincials were sternly disciplined by the lash. Sleeping on sentry duty merited fifty lashes and "unfaithfulness at the post," 120 lashes, while a man caught stealing might get 500 lashes or be hanged. Deserters were shot if caught.

Nonetheless the morale of Lunenburg men under Captain James Reed was high as they shouldered their arms and tramped off on an ill-fated expedition. They headed for Fort St. Frederic, a strategic point where Indians assembled for raids against the settlements.[9] Ambushed by French and Indian forces, the Provincials fought furiously but were unable to reach their destination. The British did establish a foothold and built Fort William Henry at the southern tip of Lake George, and Fort Edward on the connecting route between Albany and the lake. During the winter men guarding the fort suffered from cold, sickness, lack of provisions and warm clothing.



FITCHBURGERS went to the French and Indian wars in their buckskins. *Photo, Jean Hopley Klein, courtesy Fort Ticonderoga Museum*

In winter blizzards the tough Rangers commanded by six-foot, twenty-three-year-old Major Robert Rogers and his brother Richard scouted for information on movements of the French. In their buckskins, fringed deerskin jackets and coonskin caps the Rangers must have looked odd to the British regulars. But the Rangers were effective fighters. These hardy woodsmen could fight skirmishes on snow-shoes, bivouac in the snow and endure cold and hunger.

In 1756 forty-six men from Lunenburg in Captain Reed's company tramped to the Dutch trading

Town Meeting, 1764—Bicentennial skit, 1964, *Photo, Bob Jollimore*

corporation moved swiftly. Six days later, on February 1, John Fitch, Amos Kimball, Samuel Hunt, Ephraim Whitney and Jonathan Wood, petitioned the legislature to set off the westerly section as a separate township.[5] The act was passed and signed by Governor Francis Bernard on February 3, 1764, in the fourth year of the reign of George III.[6]

"A Synonym of Heroism"

The first and most pressing problem was to select a name for the new town. What could be more appropriate than to honor the hero of the northern frontier, a man of property and influence and one of the highest taxpayers. The name of John Fitch, chosen to be perpetuated in the town of Fitchburg, was said to be a "synonym of heroism. It has its origin in the story of four long years of watch and vigilance at the lone garrison on the wilderness."[7]

In later years a Fitchburger wrote:

> For ourselves, we are loyal to the democratic spirit of our forefathers. While all our neighbors were content to seek names from across the sea among British aristocracy—Westminster, Ashburnham, Ashby, Townsend, Lunenburg and Leominster—good, plain, rugged—John Fitch still serves as a type of the dwellers along the restless Nashaway.[8]

The newly created frontier town had its name and little else—no meetinghouse, no school, no "burying yard." Still far from thickly settled, dwellings were scattered over the hills. Roads were few and rough, and there was not a wheel carriage in town.

The prospect of creating a town out of rocky hillsides inhabited by poor and uneducated farmers did not frighten those early Fitchburgers, unafraid of hard work and determined to carve out their own destinies. Many of the solid, responsible families that had moved to the westerly section in the past year or two could be counted on to help run the affairs of the new town.

Newcomers

Industrious and genial John White, nearly six feet tall, had moved to Fitchburg from Lancaster and built a frame house on what is now Fisher Road. White was a lineal descendant of Peregrine White, the first white child born in New England aboard the Mayflower.[9] His daughter Betty, seven years old when Fitchburg was incorporated as a town, in later years was to marry Ephraim Kimball Jr.

Also on Fisher Road stood the substantial frame house of Ephraim Whitney, one of the incorporators of Fitchburg, a son of Moses Whitney of Lunenburg.[10] Another incorporator, Jonathan Wood, lived on what is now Intervale Road.[11] A selectman of Lunenburg before Fitchburg was set off as a separate township, active in church and town affairs, he now transferred his talents and his loyalties to the new town.

The year before incorporation, Joseph Lowe with his wife and two children moved from Ipswich to the westerly part of Lunenburg.[12] Joseph bought the farm of William Henderson at the top of Apple Tree Hill. Known as that "half-crazy Irishman," Henderson appears to have been a black sheep among the settlers. The substantial Lowe family was a welcome replacement.

These newcomers and men such as the Kimballs, the Gibsons, Samuel Hunt and David Goodridge took upon themselves the gigantic task of building a town.